THE WEATHER.

Rain and colder Saturday.

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PREPARATIONS MADE FOR A SECOND NOTE TO AUSTRIA-HUNGARY

Will Vigorously Renew American Demands in First Ancona Communication

TO RE-STATE POSITION

Will Be No Extended Discussion and Prompt Compliance Will be Expected

Austrian Reply Increases Gravity of Case.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The United States prepared late today to dispatch a second note to Austria-Hungary on the sinking of the Italian steamship Ancona. The communication will vigorously renew the demands made in the first note, none of them, according to an official announcement by Secretary Lansing, having been complied with by the Vienna foreign office.

Lansing to Complete Note.

President Wilson probably will approve the second note and shall take tomorrow in conference with Secretary Lansing. The Secretary will then act without further suggestion from the President, who will leave Washington tomorrow night on his wedding trip. Should the Secretary determine, however, that the further counsel of the President is necessary, he will go to wherever the executive may be. Should the situation become still more acute the President may be forced to shorten his honeymoon and return to Washington.

From an authoritative Teutonic source came the information tonight that the Vienna government had no desire to be the cause of diplomatic relations between the United States and Austria Hungary being severed. It was said that if the second note left an avenue for it, the foreign office would see fit to agree to all the demands made by the United States.

Even More Vigorous.

The official second note will be cabled to Ambassador Penfield for presentation to the Vienna foreign office at the earliest possible moment. It is considered probable that it will be started by Monday afternoon. It has been determined, it was said tonight, that the note shall re-state the position and views of the United States emphatically, that it shall be even more vigorous than the first note which was the most drastic of all the diplomatic communications the United States has sent during the present war.

The official text of the Austrian reply was considered today by the President and his cabinet. Apparently the official version contained nothing which made its meaning radically different from the unofficial version cabled in news dispatches from London.

After the cabinet meeting Mr. Lansing announced that none of the demands made by the United States had been acceded to. It was explained that the reply suggested further communication on the subject and more specific inforamtion in support of the charges made by the United States.

Official translation, Mr. Lansing said, made the meaning of the Austro-Hungarian government perfectly clear. The Secretary previously had declared the unofficial version to be vague. Slight changes caused by variations in translation existed between the two versions, he said, after seeing the official text, but the meaning in a broad sense was the same.

Gravity is Increased.

Such a rejoinder is wholly unsatisfactory and unacceptable to the American government and increases the gravity of the situation between the nations.

In regard to the second note Secretary Lansing and officials were reticent. It was said, however, that the United States might give some of the facts asked for, though it would not, under any consideration, enter into an extended discussion of details. The United States expects its demands to be promptly complied with, and such apparent procrastination as officials consider Austri-Hungary exhibited in answering the original inquiry for information, submitted soon after the Ancona disaster, will not be allowed to pass without action.

AUSTRIAN PRESS COMMENT

Editorials on Reply to America Characterized by Moderation.

Vienna, Dec. 16 (via London, Dec. 17),—The editorial comment on the Austro-Hungarian government's reply to the American government's notes concerning the sinking of the Italian liner Ancona is characterized by moderation. The reply was published this morning. The comment of Neue Freie Presse probably is the most caustic of any of the newspapers. "Baron Burian," says this paper, "has answered the uncouth note of the United States with careful reserve. The calm treatment of the American note is good, for the reason that the old world has been stupid enough to make itself economically dependent upon the new world by wasting its strength. But it will show itself superior in the politeness governing the relations between the peoples.

The Nue Frie Presse and other papers point to the impossibility of the Austro-Hungarian government admitting that the commander of the submarine, which sang the Ancona should

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ENDORSE POLICIES OF THE PRESIDENT

Delegates to Commercial Congress Ready to Adjourn

TO ADVERTISE SOUTH

Nation-Wide Campaign Planned—"Peace Bell" to be Presented American People as Token of South's Love Proposed.

Charleston, S. C., Dec. 17—Endorsement of "all the policies and principles of a national and international character announced by President Wilson," plans for a nation-wide advertising campaign in the interest of the South's resources and opportunities, and preliminary steps toward organizing a committee to present to the American people a "peace bell" as a "token of the love and affection of the South to all the people of the land" occupied the attention of delegates to the Southern Commercial Congress at its session here late today. The convention was prepared to adjourn late tonight.

Endorsement of President Wilson's policies was in that section of the resolutions approving the administration plans for rural credits legislation and a "great merchant marine."

The Congress also requested the President and Congress to take steps to guarantee the shipment of tobacco to neutral countries without restrictions.

Plans for a campaign by the congress in the interest of the South call for co-operation of various Southern trade bodies.

The suggestion for a "peace bell' was made by Ben Altheimer, of St. Louis. United States Senator Fletcher, of Florida, president of the congress, was empowered to appoint a committee to promote the project. It was planned to pay for the bell by getting each school boy and girl to give one cent.

Resolutions calling for Federal appropriations and legislation to enable Federal, state and city officials to establish joint officers for aiding the unemployed were adopted at a conference of Southern state and municipal officers after discussion of the question by Secretary of Labor Wilson. The Southern Commercial Congress endorsed the plan.

Among other subjects endorsed by the congress were: Inland waterways; national and state aid for better highways; efforts of the American Bar Association to "modernize" procedure and practice of courts; organization of a semi-official national chamber of agriculture, as proposed by delegates to the association of Southern Agricultural Commissioners which met here with the congress; laws for co-operative marketing purchasing and credits

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PRESIDENT AND MRS. GALT MARRY TONIGHT

Only Members of Two Families to be Present.

Rev. Herbert Scott Emith Will Perform Ceremony at Mrs. Galt's Home—Couple Will Spend Honeymoon in the South.

Washington, Dec. 17—Arrangements were completed tonight for the wedding tomorrow evening of President Wilson and Mrs. Edith Bolling Galt. The ceremony will be solemnized at Mrs. Galt's home in the presence of members of the two families. All of the guests who will be present are in Washington. Mrs. Francis B. Sayre, of Williamstown, Mass., the President's youngest daughter; Mrs. Anne Howe, his sister, and Mrs. Anne Cothran, his niece, arrived during the day and are guests at the White House. Others who came were Dr. William Bolling, of Louisville, Ky., and Rolfe E. Bolling, of Panama, brothers of Mrs. Galt.

Most of the members of the wedding party will witness the christening at the White House at noon tomorrow of Ellen Wilson McAdoo, the seven-months-old daughter of Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. McAdoo and the President's only grand-daughter.

The Rev. Herbert Scott Smith, rector of St. Margaret's Protestant Episcopal church here, who is to perform the wedding ceremony, will officiate at the christening. President Wilson will act as god-father for the baby, and her god-mothers will be Mrs. Francis B. Sayre, her aunt, and Miss Helen Woodrow, the President's cousin.

Decorators and florists were busy at Mrs. Galt's home today preparing it for the wedding ceremony. Members of Mrs. Galts family inspected the large number of presents sent from all parts of the country. The gifts included a huge wedding cake from a number of women in Minnesota.

Elaborate arrangements were made

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King of Greece Ill.

The political situation of Greece has been further complicated by the sudden illness of the king. He is suffering from influenza and his doctors have advised him to refrain from participating in state affairs. Because of the delicate situation caused by the allies' retreat into Greece and the Greek election of December 19th, the king's illness might bring about serious complications.

FOUR DEAD, MANY HURT IN TORNADO

Sweeps Several Counties of East Mississippi.

MUCH DAMAGE IS DONE

Meagre Reports From the Stricken District Indicate Cyclone Made Wide Path—Buildings Destroyed or Unroofed.

Meridian, Miss., Dec. 17.—At least four persons were killed and two score more or less seriously injured today as the result of a tornado which swept through several East Mississippi counties and passed into Alabama northwest of here. Two negro women and two children were killed in Giles, a score of persons were injured and nearly 100 buildings, for the most part occupied by negroes, were destroyed in the town.

Reports tonight indicated that the cyclone first appeared near Shubuta, 42 miles south of here. Several persons were injured and numerous structures destroyed or unroofed there. Near the town the tornado crossed the Mississippi Eastern Railroad three times in a space of one mile and continuing struck Monasco and Brewer, injuring several persons and causing considerable property damage.

North of here the cyclone struck Obadias and Cullum and swept into Alabama near Scooba. At Obadias and Cullum and in Geiger, Ala., injuries to persons and property are reported to have resulted. For nearly fifty miles north of Obadias damaged buildings were said to mark the path of the tornado. Only meagre reports were available tonight from the stricken district.

STRIKES RESIDENTIAL SUBURB.

Damage in Fashionable District in Montgomery, Ala., by Cyclone.

Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 16.—Cloverdale, the fashionable residential suburb of this city, was visited by a heavy cyclone shortly before noon today. Roofs were blown off and small structures and trees blown down. Electric light and telephone poles and wires were leveled and the streets flooded with water.

No personal injuries resulted, but the property damage is estimated at $25,000. The heaviest rainstorm of years in this section produced a total of 3.12 inches, according to the official report.

Serious property damage is reported at and around Orrville, and at Mountain Creek. The home of Henry Brown, near the latter place, was demolished and ten persons in it at the time are reported badly injured. The Pyron homestead, in the same vicinity, was blown away. The family saw the cyclonic cloud approaching [illegible] the house, escaping unin[illegible]

Was[illegible]ton, Dec. 17. Action on resolution proposed in [illegible] of British interference with neutral shipping, and attacks on a [illegible] American citizen was in[illegible] ferred today by the Se[illegible] relati[illegible] committee.

DOUBLE STROKE BY TEUTONS EVIDENT

Active in Both Eastern and Western Theatres.

QUIET IN THE BALKANS

Activity Only in Mountains of Montenegro and Albania—Diplomats in Greece and Rumania Engaged in New Deals.

London, Dec. 17.—While the diplomats in Greece and Rumania are engaged in new deals which will decide the next step in the Balkan operations, there is increasing evidence that the Germans, ever restive, are preparing new strokes on both the eastern and western fronts, or at least a concentration of their forces to strike when conditions are propitious.

Dispatches from Petrograd note German activity, particularly in the Dvinsk district, which would accord with the German ambassador to reach the line of the Dvina river, while all accounts from neutral countries mention a continued movement of men and guns to the west. In the latter theatre of operation it seems only a question at what points the offensive is to be taken.

Many persons believe that the Germans, having found the lines in Flanders and Artois nuts too hard to crack, contemplate moving in the Saint Mihiel region where their line penetrates to the river Meuse and where there has been considerable activity during the past few days.

The only thing argued against this is that the river has been at flood and the French have been systematically destroying the bridges as they were re-built. Thus far, however, there has been little more doing than the usual mining and bombing operations and aerial fighting in the west.

In the Balkans, military operations are temporarily at a standstill, except Montenegro and Albania where the Austrians and Bulgarians are carrying on mountain warfare against King Nicholas 'troops and the Serbians. A big battle is in progress in the valley of the Albanian or Black Drin river between the Serbs and Bulgarians. At last reports no decision had been reached in the fighting. It is said, however, that the Bulgarians, who crossed the river, found the Serbians had been re-formed and were driven back with heavy losses.

It is possible that the Serbian counter-attacks were made possible by supplies having reached them from the Italians who landed on the Albanian coast and who are trying to open communication with the Serbs through that country. The Italians, it is understood, already have landed eighty thousand men.

WARNINGS UP ALONG COAST.

Intensity of Storm Over Tennessee Reported Increasing.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The weather bureau at 10 o'clock tonight ordered southwest storm warnings displayed from Wilmington, N. C., to Jacksonville, Fla., and southeast warnings from Boston to Cape Hatteras. The storm was reported over Tennessee increasing in intensity and moving northeast.

WILMINGTON CLEANEST TOWN IN N. CAROLINA

Declaration of Judge O. H. Allen in Durham Court

Pays Signal Tribute to City by the Sea, Presenting Contrast With Other Towns in Matter of Liquor Trafficking.

(Special Star Telegram).

Durham, N. C., Dec. 17.—Presenting Wilmington as a striking contrast to Durham in the matter of illegal whiskey trafficking, Judge Oliver H. Allen in Durham Superior court today, paid a signal tribunte to the City by the Sea. "It is the cleanest town in the State," said his honor.

The clean-up in blind tigers in Wilmington came several years ago when sixty men pleaded guilty during one term of court. A law enforcement officer rendered the clean-up a matter of fact.

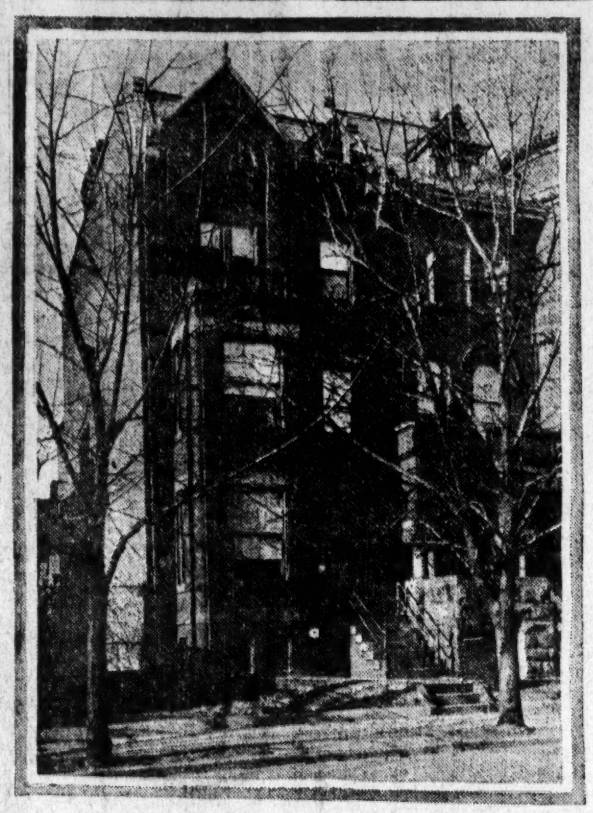
"Ask your Methodist ministers, who have been to conference at Wilmington if it is not a clean town," was the injunction of Judge Allen.

The occasion of the lecture of the judge was the sentencing of five white men and ten negroes in Durham Superior court. He had just referred to three white men as "old moss back blockaders of the county." He sentenced these men to the roads for a term of two years each.

Upon the testimony of his neighbors that he had been drunk continuously for ten years, George Laws, a white man, pleaded for clemency. The reply of the judge was, "You are too sorry to go to the roads."

Granville, Orange, Person, and Durham counties were scored as the stronghold of the blockaders in the State. He cited the acquittal of a blind tiger in Durham twenty years ago as partly responsible for what he termed "the lawlessness of the community." He said the notorious tiger should never have been acquitted.

Where President Wilson Will Marry Mrs. Galt.



This is from a new photograph of the residence of Mrs. Norman Galt, 1308 Twentieth street, N. W., Washington, D. C., where tonight she will be married to the President of the United States. That the marriage is to take place there tonight is about the only fact concerning the wedding that had been announced up to last night. There had been no official public announcement of the hour of the wedding, the name of the minister, the list of guests, or where the honeymoon is to be spent. The President and Mrs. Galt have seemed to consider the details of their marriage a matter of their own private business which they were not called upon to divulge to the public.

WAR TAX EXTENDED FOR ANOTHER YEAR

Senate Adopts Resolution Which Passed House

HOLIDAY RECESS TAKEN

Lively Partisan Debate Preceded Adoption of Emergency Revenue Measure—Republicans Unanimously Against It.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Congress adjourned tonight for the Christmas holidays after the Senate had adopted the joint resolution which passed the House yesterday extending the emergency revenue law one year, or until December 31, 1916. The Senate adopted the resolution after a lively partisan debate by a vote of 45 to 29, Democrats supporting it solidly and Republicans unanimously opposing it. President Wilson signed the measure tonight.

Both Houses will re-convene at noon Tuesday, January 4, when the administration legislative programme, including plans for National defense, will be undertaken in earnest. It is the understanding that the revenue will be taken up for amendment, in order to increase the revenues, as soon after the holidays as possible.

Upon the adjournment tonight there was a general exodus of members for their homes. The day in the House was devoted to speeches on National defense. Discussion of the war revenue resolution in the Senate resolved itself into a tariff argument, Republicans assailing the Underwood law as inadequate and condemning the general fiscal policy of the administration.

Underwood Upholds Tariff Law.

Senator Underwood, of Alabama, in his first Senate speech vigorously upheld the law which bears his name and challenged Republicans to compare it with thePayne-Aldrich tariff.

Senator Simmons, chairman of the finance committee, in response to questions from the Republicans, said he understood it to be the administration's plan to propose further revenue legislation after the holidays, and that his impression was there would be no issuance of bonds to defray increased government expenses.

Senator Penrose, of Pennsylvania, who lead in the minority attack on the resolution, interrupted Senator Underwood's speech to draw a picture of idlemen in his state during his campaign for re-election last year. He said the present prosperity in the steel business was due to the war and immense purchases by belligerent governments.

"The Senator from Pennsylvania," said Senator Underwood in reply, "has made a clear definition of his belief then that the depression which followed the terror of the first few months of the war was due entirely to the Democratic administration but that the present prosperity alone is due to the war.

"This discussion today, while not illuminative on the fiscal condition of the country, has clearly defined the issues between the two great parties on questions of legislation. Mr. Penrose says we are committing a crime against the American people by reducing the customs house taxes, and re-placing

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TWO ARRESTED BY FEDERAL AGENTS

Charged With Plotting to Blow Up Welland Canal.

MAPS OF CANAL FOUND

Paul Koenig, Former Head of Hamburg-American Line Secret Service, and Emil Lyendecker Are Held in New York.

New York, Dec. 17.—Paul Koenig, formerly head of the secret service of the Hamburg-American Line, and Richard Emil Lyendecker were arrested tonight by agents of the Department of Justice, charged with conspiring to blow up the Welland canal. Koenig was arrested in the offices here of the Hamburg-American Line. Before the war he was in charge of the steamship company's bureau of investigation but since then it is charged he has been the head of the German secret service in the United States.

Lyendecker was taken into custody at his office at 345 Fifth avenue, where he has been selling antiques. The agents of the Department of Justice declare they found there maps and drawings of the Welland canal. Both men are said to have admitted they had been along the border but asserted that they did not cross into Canada.

The specific charge preferred against the men is violation of that section of the United States penal code which prohibits the planning without the boundaries of the United States of a military expedition against a foreign power.

Lyendecker claims to be an American citizen and has admitted, it is said, that he has been employed by Koenig. The latter took out his first citizenship papers ten years ago but never applied for his second. The government agents say he has many aliases.

Koenig under the name of Stemmler, it was charged, was responsible for obtaining from Gustav Stahl the affidavit in which he declared he had seen guns on board the Lusitania the day before she sailed on her last voyage.

Stahl was convicted on a charge of perjury and sentenced to 18 months in the Federal prison at Atlanta.

IGNORANT OF ANY PLOT

Dominion Secret Service Officials Not Advised of Arrests.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 17.—Officials of the Dominion secret service were not advised tonight of the arrests in New York of Koenig and Lyendecker and professed ignorance of any conspiracy to blow up the Welland canal.

600 HORSES ARE DROWNED

Barge, From Which They Were Being Loaded on Steamer, Sinks.

New York, Dec. 17.—Nearly 600 horses valued at an average of $200 consigned to Brest, France, for the use of allied armies, were drowned in the North river this afternoon when a barge sprang a leak and sank. The animals were to be transferred to the steamer Anglo-Californian for transportation to France. The barge went to the bottom soon after the loading of the animals on the steamer had been begun.

ARMY IS SHORT OF OFFICERS AND MEN

Not Enough to Man the Present Coast Defenses

SOME FACTS DISCLOSED

War Department Bureau Describes American System of Defenses as "the Most Formidable in the World."

Washington, Dec. 17.—War Department Bureau reports made public tonight disclose the following facts about the army of the United States and its coast defenses:

The system of coast defenses is "the most formidable in the world," but is short 530 officers and 10,828 men of the regular establishment and 271 officers and 9,891 men of the National Guard to man all forts and mine defenses. Congress has appropriated $175,000,000 to establish the present system, but at present batteries which cost $41,000,000 are without trained personnel to man them.

Batteries of 16-inch, 50-calibre guns are recommended as the primary armament of all major forts in order that enemy ships may be kept at great distance. Mobile Howitzer batteries of 16-inch, 17-inch or even larger guns are urged to supplement the permanent forts.

The army on June 30 last comprised 105-993 officers and men, 68,258 of them in the continental United States, 14,840 of whom were on or near the Mexican border. Vacancies in the enlisted force were reduced from 9,573 in 1914 to 1,786, the year having seen 48,813 recruited, nearly 80 per cent born in the United States.

On October 1 the full strength of the organized militia was 8,705 officers and 120,693 men. Officers estimate it would require from two to twelve months to put the militia in the field in the federal service.

There were 32,313 students in 96 schools having military courses and graduates from these schools since 1905 number 39,430.

The coast artillery established scores of 59 per cent. hits with 10-inch and 56 per cent hits with 12-inch guns at 5,00 yard ranges as against 25 per cent and 46 per cent respectively in 1913. At 10,000 yards the scores were 36 per cent with the tends and 19 per cent. with the twelves as against 13 and 14 per cent. in 1913.

The army death rate was 4.40 compared with 5.15 the year before.

PROPOSAL FOR RE-UNITING SUFFRAGE BODIES DEFEATED

National Association Not to Affiliate With Congressional Union.

Washington, Dec. 17.—A proposal that the Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage be permitted to renew its affiliation with the National American Woman Suffrage Association was defeated after a spirited debate at today's session of the association's annual convention. Authority was voted, however, for frequent conferences between the legislative committees of the two bodies in thei refforts to obtain a Federal suffrage amendment.

Mrs. Catt, of New York, was chosen president without opposition to succeed Dr. Anna Howard Shaw.

FIGHT CITRUS CANKER.

Appeal is Made Before the House Agricultural Committee.

Washington, Dec. 17.—A plea for appropriation of several million dollars for the prevention and eradication of the citrus canker in the South and the West was made before the House agricultural committee today by a delegation of congressmen and by representatives of producers.

SHORTAGE OF SILVER

Its Substitution For Gold in England Has Complicated Matters.

London, Dec. 7. — (Correspondence of Associated Press)—The substitution of silver for gold coin, following the withdrawal of gold and the issue of paper money in its place, has caused a serious shortage of silver here. Banks are still able to obtain silver in moderate amounts from the Bank of England, but it is growing scarcer.

THE DAY IN CONGRESS

SENATE

Met at noon.

Took up the House resolution extending the emergency revenue act one year.

Philippines committee continued hearings on the self government bill.

Senator Shafroth introduced a bill for universal disarmament through an international tribunal.

The Works bill for development of water holes in the California desert and the Sterling bill for 640 acres stock raising homesteads were reported favorably.

Senator Weeks introduced a bill for regulation of insurance companies.

Passed joint resolution extending emergency war tax law by vote of 45 to 29.

Adjourned at 6:40 p. m. to noon Tuesday, January 4, 1916.

HOUSE

Met at noon.

Representative Buchanan failed to appear before the judiciary committee to substantiate his impeachment charges against United States Attorney Marshall.

Public lands committee began consideration of conservation bills which failed of enactment at last Congress.

War Department recommended continuance of $20,000,000 improvement project on Missouri river.

Adjourned at 6:45 p. m. to noon Tuesday, January 4, 1916.

HIGHWAY GATHERING YESTERDAY AT BURGAW

Wonderful Impetus Given to East Carolina Project

Association Formed to Promote Building of Connecting Link Through Fayetteville—Rotary Engineers Movement.

(By M. P. McNeely.)

The Wilmington-Fayetteville Highway Association, having for its purpose the promotion and encouragement of the building of a link of improved roadway from Wilmington through the counties of Pender, Duplin and Sampson, connecting with the National highway north and south at Fayetteville, was formed yesterday at Burgaw, N. C., as the climax of an enthusiastic mass meeting of citizens of all the counties interested, initiated primarily by the Rotary Club, of Wilmington, which added still another laurel to its crown of constructive achievement in the magnificent success of the gathering, ably seconded by the hosts of the occasion—the good people of Burgaw and surrounding country.

The meeting was attended by approximately 250 members of the Rotary club of Wilmington and their friends, who journeyed thither over the section of the proposed highway between this city and Burgaw in fifty-odd booster automobiles which carried appropriate banners advertising the purpose and place of the meeting and filled with enthusiastic good roads advocates and their friends, including not a few ladies, these being joined at the meeting place by delegations from the other counties and hundreds of Pender county people, who proved themselves most gracious hosts and hostesses in a most enthusiastic welcome and in an elegant barbecue served on the lawn of the court house in which the meeting was held.

Able and inspiring addresses were delivered by representatives from every section and it is safe to say that during the meeting seed were sown from which good roads advocates in this coastal section of the State may reasonably expect to reap an hundred fold. Action was the keynote of the meeting and engineered by those human dynamos, commonly known as Rotarians, nothing was left undone to score of the meeting a splendid success. A more perfect day for the meet could not have been imagined; in the long line of automobiles there was not the semblance of a serious mishap and what the good folks of Burgaw did for the visitors left nothing to be desired, even in the smallest way. The several committees in charge, both here and at Burgaw, did their work so creditably, so perfectly and with such precision that to single out any one or more for special mention would be an injustice to others who did equally as well.

For some months there has been more or less agitation of the question of connecting Wilmington with the National highway at Fayetteville through the counties in question, but there had been no concert of action on the part of the counties and while all had done something, and are still accomplishing much in road improvement, there had been no special effort to work to a definite end. The Rotary club conceived the idea of crystallizing the effort, they had only to pass the word to the enterprising sister counties and lo, the Burgaw meeting!

It was here yesterday that the association was formed for the purpose of getting concerted action from the counties; representative men from each freely offered membership and the Wilmington-to-Fayetteville Highway Association sprang into existence with the following officers:

President—W. M. Hand, of Burgaw.

Vice President—A. B. Skelding, of Wilmington.

Secretary and Treasurer—J. T. Bland, Jr., of Burgaw.

Executive Committee—W. L. Byrd, of Duplin county; George E. Butler, of Sampson; W. D. MacMillan, of New Hanover; Thomas H. Sutton, of Cumberland, and T. J. Armstrong, of Pender.

Attention was called to the fact that the executive committee consists of a member from each county interested. The nominating committee was composed of Dr. George K. Patterson and A. B. Skelding, of New Hanover; W. L. Byrd and G. R. Ward, of Duplin; W. M. Hand and T. J. Armstrong, Pender; J. R. Peterson and L. A. Bethune, of Sampson; J. H. Sutton and R. M. Jackson, of Cumberland.

The Meeting Assembles.

The mass meting assembled in the court room at a few minutes before noon, and elected J. T. Bland, Esq., of the Burgaw bar, temporary chairman by acclamation. Mr. Bland expressed appreciation for the honor of presiding over this, the most important meeting in Pender county for a long time. He made a brief review of the purposes of the gathering, after which Messrs. J. T. Bland, Jr., editor of the Pender Chronicle; M. P. McNeely, representative of the Wilmington Morning Star, and Owen C. Fillyaw, representative of the Wilmington Evening Dispatch, were elected secretaries for the meeting.

J. J. Best, Esq., member of the Burgaw bar, gave the address of welcome. He was conservative in his delivery, but hearty in welcoming the large number of visitors. He said that all were especially welcome on account of their mission, as good roads is one of the most important needs of Pender county at present. He referred to the general progress it would mean to his county and finally, he said, he was unable to express his appreciation of their visit, but promised that there would soon be a barbecue served on the Court House lawn, probably a little more eloquent than himself.

Senator Rivers D. Johnson, of Warsaw, made the response. He said he was probably the most suitable of the visitors to make that response, as he has had occasion to learn by experience of the cordial hospitality of the people of Pender county, and knew that it is genuine and was not overdrawn by the eloquent address of his fellow countryman Mr. Best, who had been loaned to Pender.

State Highway Engineer W. S. Fallis was called upon to tell the people of Pender about the road situation, which he proved thoroughly able to do. Engineer Fallis, with a practiced eye sees a great future in North Carolina road building and predicted that a few decades would see North Carolina with the best road system in all America. He made a logical argument to show the advantages this State has over the Northern states, which failed to get the spirit and definite knowledge of the value of roads until their country districts were densely settled and real estate values had soared so high that it was practically impossible to buy road space at most desirable places, making it difficult to get straight highways, and what is worse, making it impossible to get the best drainage advantages.

Mr. Fallis says that the South now has the spirit. She had the advantage of the experience of the Northern sections and the National government has put the facts in her hands in such a way as to acquaint her citizens so well of the value of roads that better drainage surveys are being successfully made and when wealth comes to the South, Southern people will have the locations for their roads in a place that it will be possible to outstrip any section in the world for well planned highways.

Another remarkable thing, said Mr. Fallis, is the strong probability of Federal aid in road building. The bill that will come up before the present Congress is likely to pass and when it does, this section will be ready to build on well planned fundamentals in road building. The division system in the proposed bill will be 33 per cent. for land area, 33 per cent. for mileage of roads and 33 per cent. for population. This will put more money in the North, but proportionately more in the South on account of area. This bill was planned at the first meeting of the National Highway Association at Chicago last summer. Another measure that is going to be worked out is the matter of securing a reduction on freight rates for road building materials, which Mr. Fallis thinks will soon be accomplished.

He also called attention to the fact that the State Highway Commission, is not kept up for the purpose of furnishing money with which to build roads, but only as a protection to the taxpayer in the way of seeing that his money is not squandered. When a road is ordered built, the commission will furnish free engineering service and help the road builders to get the very best road service for their money.

Hon. W. P. Stacy, of the Wilmington bar, recently appointed to the judgeship of this district, was called and responded with an eloquent exposition of the facts in highway road building from its earliest beginning in America in 1828, and made a review of the progress down to the present. He went into an interesting analysis of the financial side of the proposition and told the farmers why their land would increase in value. Judge Stacy said it is because they can make more money. He told how roads destroy distance and consequently destroy the cost of marketing products of the farm.

He told the farmers that if they have good roads, a man living a good distance from market can reduce the cost of taking his crop to market, which means money in his pocket. It has long been proven that the farmer who hauls over good roads, is not put to the expense of buying a wagon so often, nor does his stock break down so young. When a farm is suddenly put in a position that a bale of cotton can be hauled to market for $5, when formerly it had cost $10, the man with his eyes open is looking for an opportunity to buy such land, and even the renter finds it easier to pay the owner higher rents than to live where it costs so much to get his crop to market.

One of the best advantages in road building, Mr. Stacy said, is that it makes a better place in which to live. The neighbors are closer. It isn't so hard to go visiting, nor to get out and meet other people and see other places.

Hon. George E. Butler, of Clinton, made an exposition of why this meeting was necessary and told the details of what is to be accomplished. His speech was intensely practical and to the point. He told about the building of a highway from Fayetteville to Autryville, which is the furtherest town east in North Carolina mentioned on tourists' maps. This highway was built by Dr. Highsmith, of Fayetteville, and others, on account of some property they own near Autryville. Then a number of progressive men at Roseboro learned the value of good roads, made the proposition to the Sampson county commissioners that they would build a highway from Clinton, the county seat, to Roseboro, if the Commissioners would build the highway to Autryville, and in this way give them an outlet to the world. These roads are being rapidly completed. Roseboro now wants a way to get to Wilmington and Wilmington wants an outlet to the world. The proposition is to get a road from the New Hanover line to Roseboro.

He told of the fact that roads can be built along this section at a lower cost than in any other section of the State, especially less than the roads that have been built in New Hanover and Sampson counties. The road cannot be lawfully built through this section by either New Hanover or Sampson, and will be a wonderfully strong factor in building up Pender, and incidentally be a valuable asset to Wilmington.

A short space of time was used very practically after this by Mr. W. D. MacMillan, Jr., in distributing association membership cards, after which an abundant barbecue dinner was served on the lawn of the court house and thoroughly enjoyed by all present. Burgaw did herself proud at this dinner and no one was disappointed, despite the high promises of Mr. Best in his address of welcome.

Afternoon Sessions.

The first speaker in the afternoon was Hon. Charles Gibbs, of Fayetteville, who gave an eloquent discussion of the value of the highway under consideration. He was followed by Chairman J. R. Peterson, of the Highway Board of Sampson, who reiterated Sampson's part in securing this desired outlet for the people of this section.

Mr. G. B. Elliott, solicitor of the Coast Line Railway Company, was in the assembly and gave a brief talk showing his interest, and denied having any jealousy of a road that would mean so much toward developing the section through which his lines operate.

Rev. Dr. J. M. Wells, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Wilmington, struck a new note about the necessity of this great highway, referring to its relation to preparedness. It is recognized now in high official circles that this country may be attacked by an enemy, and good roads would be a nominal expense compared with the loss that might occur before help could reach the danger point over bad roads in case of an invasion. He said that this highway is a great necessity from the standpoint of preparedness for war, as well as preparedness to handle the crops when they get ready for the markets in such a way that shipments must be made in rush order. His was a strong, vigorous, able discussion from many angles.

Mr. Thos. Sutton, of Fayetteville, made a brief talk boosting the road system planned, giving his hearty endorsement to the movement. He was followed by Chairman W. A. McGirt, of the New Hanover Board of County Commissioners, who also made a brief talk in support of the proposition to get good roads in this section of the State.

C. E. McCullen, Esq., of Burgaw, followed and laid claim that his county had built roads for New Hanover and Sampson, by letting them have the use of the Pender convict labor. Now he thinks these neighboring counties should help Pender.

Mr. T. J. Armstrong, of Burgaw, was called on for a speech, but insisted that business matters be looked after.

Dr. George K. Patterson, chairman of the special highway committee of the Rotary Club, who did so much for the success of the meeting, in reading the recommendations of the nominating committee, took occasion to thank the audience for their hearty support in making the efforts of the day successful.

Trip From Wilmington.

There were 50-odd Wilmington automobiles at the City Hall about 8 o'clock in the morning in response to the call of the committee, and more than 200 representative Wilmington people were present to compose the party. The committee of arrangements spent nearly an hour decorating the cars. All banners were boosting good roads, and referring to the situation. All of the automobiles were decorated with flags with mottos. Some of them were "We want good roads from the mountain the sea," "Wilmington-Fayetteville Highway," and one of the popular cars, humorously or otherwise, was labeled "Pender county can."

The procession went up Market street to Fifth, down Fifth to Church, down Church to Front, Front to Red Cross, Red Cross to Fourth and thence to the country. Pretty good speed was made all the way reaching Burgaw in about an hour and a half. It was a jolly bunch. The Rotary Club needed a little cash for the enterprise and stationed four men, Messrs. D. H. Howes, Jr., W. A. Curtis, Jr., E. E. White and Paul Bell with masks in a woody place beyond Castle Haynes, who held up the fellows just like bandits, except in a good humored manner, and told the fellows to not pay over fifty cents. This was to cover the expense of making the banners and advertising.

It was a joy day from morning to night. Not a single serious accident to mar the occasion. The machines came back mostly one at a time, not making any procession, as a great many were in a hurry to get back while others lingered. They began leaving about 3:30 p. m.

Association Membership.

Just before intermission for the barbecue dinner, cards reading as follows were circulated among the audience and immediately collected:

"Dec. 17, 1915.

"I am interested in the improved highway from Wilmington to Fayetteville, via Clinton. I will attend the next meeting to be held on this subject, if possible, and will lend my support to the movement in every possible way.

. . . . . .

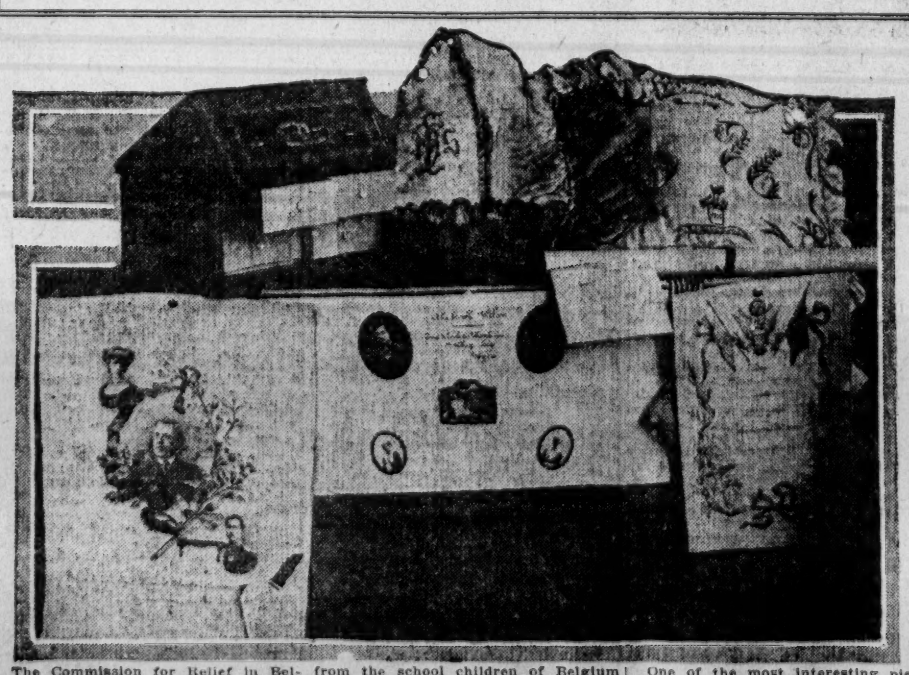
"I hereby subscribe one dollar ($1.00) for annual dues to the Good Roads Association to be formed at this meeting.

"Name .....

"Address .....

Those who signed are as follows: From Wilmington, S. S. Krom, C. C. Bellamy, J. L. Becton, J. R. Eddy, Frank Meade, J. T. Kerr, G. B. Applewhite, J. P. Herring, W. D. MacMillan, Sr., W. D. MacMillan, Jr., W. P. McGlaughon, P. W. Davis, J. F. Roache, J. J. Loughlin, John R. Murchison, E. T. Taylor, R. C. DeRosset, R. H. Brady, R. M. Kermon, Frank Herbst, K. W. Jewell, J. H. Burriss, W. A. McGirt, J. O. Hinton, L. H. Skinner, J. H. Hinton, G. G. Vybel, W. H. Branch, W. W. Love, L. R. Hummell, J. VanB. Metts, J. S. Brown, R. F. Beasley, H. J. MacMillan, Addison Hewlett, W. F. King, S. A. Schloss, H. B. Branch, J. A. Orrell, O. E. DuRant, J. B. LeGwin, D. K. LeGwin, W. K. Allen, A. B. Sandlin, D. H. Howes, Jr., C. S. Matthews, W. D. McDuffie, E. A. Palmgren, J. W. Rowan, H. T. King, A. F. DeVere, Rev. J. S. Crowley, G. B. Elliott, Judge W. P. Stacy, J. H. Jones, T. H. Wright, C. Van Leuven, C. L. Whitehead, I. W. Cooper, W. R. Barksdale, W. L. DeRosset, Rev. Dr. J. M. Wells, E. D. Williams, W. H. Wilson, C. J. LeGrande, A. B. Jones, A. D. Ward, J. Irving Bear, Geo. R. Corbett, J. E. Thompson, T. B. Carroll. From Burgaw, H. E. Peterson, R. Sanders, T. T. Murphy, R. Y. Corbett, J. H. Burnett, C. E. McCullen, H. J. Brown, W. M. Hand, J. R. Bannerman, R. B. Batson, John Butler, J. T. Best, J. H. Moore, G. W. Collins, J. T. Johnson, J. T. Bland, Jr., H. P. Woodson, J. T. Bradshaw, A. McL. Carr, D. C. Sanders, P. L. Clark, I. W. Brown, D. S. Black, A. D. Wood, J. H. Carter, F. G. Hussey, S. C. Carr, J. T. Bland; from other places, T. P. Pearsall and M. L. Guyton, Rocky Point; Thos. H. Sutton, Fayetteville; J. R. Batten, Pender county; W. Plevier, Watha; A. F. Blake, Rocky Point; J. T. Blake, Rocky Point; J. C. Williams, RoseHill; I. Oliver, Delway; Frank Parker, Salemburg; A. A. Maynor, Kerr; J. T. Armstrong, Rocky Point; C. T. Lewis, Kerr; A. E. Croom, Wallace; O. F. Herring, Delway; J. C. Gibbs, Fayettevills; L. A. Bethune, Clinton; W. Partrick, Clinton; J. R. Peterson, Clinton; O. P. Middleton, Warsaw; F. C. Howard, Roseboro; J. A. Turlington, Salemburg; A. C. Johnson, Willard; R. V. Eakins, Atkinson; S. C. Jones, Rocky Point; B. H. Crumpler, Clinton; J. H. Royster, Clinton; R. Ruminsky, Watha; D. E. Barry, Wallace; Jacob Cooper, Salemburg; G. L. Rivenbark, Watha; J. W. Carroll, Wallace; G. H. Robinson, Pender county; S. S. Cavenaugh, Wallace; W. M. Carr, Wallace; W. M. Rivenbark, Wallace; J. R. Boney, Wallace; Wm. Peterson, Clinton; N. H. Lockhart, Rocky Point; H. L. Stewart, Clinton; P. H. Highsmith, Willard; J. L. Hatchcock, Roseboro; W. D. Teachey, Currie; H. C. Peters, Kerr; A. D. Brown, Kerr; James Scott, Rocky Point; Geo. E. Butler, Clinton; C. M. Faircloth, Clinton; W. J. Jones, Salemburg; T. P. Parr, Wallace; J. H. Parker, Clinton; S. B. Wilson, Delway; A. R. Herring, Delway; Senator Rivers D. Johnson, Warsaw; J. A. Barker, Lumberton; R. C. Williams, Wallace; P. M. Williams, Wallace; L. D. Prather, Clinton; J. M. Hines, Montague; W. H. Peden, Rocky Point; R. J. Armstrong, Rocky Point; W. A. Brown, Rocky Point; A. H. Herring, Clinton; J. H. Jackson, Clinton; W. P. Wood, Kerr; A. C. Beard, Kerr; W. F. Murphy, Wallace; G. A. Cleet, Clinton; J. B. Johnson, Clinton; W. F. Tourison, Philadelphia, Penn.; J. R. Hall, Fayetteville.

Belgian Children Send Christmas Gifts to President Wilson and Cardinal Gibbons.



The Commission for Relief in Belgium has placed on exhibition in New York Christmas gifts of engraved scrolls, laces, embroideres, and a jewel case, received a few days ago from the school children of Belgium for President Wilson, members of his family, and for Cardinal Gibbons. The simple gifts are touching documents of the feelings of the little Belgians for America.

One of the most interesting pieces in the exhibit is a card about eight by twelve inches, addressed to "His Excellency, Sir Edward Wilson, President of the United States at Washington."

BIG EAGLE AT MAGNOLIA

Messrs. Barden and Carr Have Successful Hunt at Topsail.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Magnolia, N. C., Dec. 17.—Messrs. F. N. Barden and H. G. Carr, who have just returned from several days' hunting on Topsail sound, brought back one of the largest eagles ever seen around here. It mtasured seven feet from the tip of one wing to the tip of the other.

Besides the eagle, Messrs. Barden and Carr brought back lots of ducks, crabs and other game. These gentlemen went through the country in a Ford to Topsail and came back by Wilmington. They had the Ford pretty well loaded with game which they were displaying as evidence of their ability as hunters.

CHECK SPREAD OF TYPHUS.

Sale of Alcoholic Liquors Forbidden in Mexico City.

Galveston, Texas, Dec. 17.—The sale of alcoholic liquors in Mexico City has been forbidden for 90 days by a decree issued yesterday by the governor of the Federal District, say advices to the Mexican consulate here today. The purpose is to prevent the spread of typhus in Mexico.

Washington, Dec. 17.—A resolution asking the President to set aside a day during the holiday season for an appeal to the American people to aid in relieving suffering in Poland due to the war was passed by the Senate today on motion of Senator Kern, of Indiana.

Fancy Florida oranges, sweet and juicy, 19 cents a dozen. New Way Market. (Advertisement.)

WAR TAX EXTENDED FOR ANOTHER YEAR

(Continued from Page One.)

them with taxation resting solely on the wealth of the country."

Revenues were greater in the first year of the present tariff law, he added, than in the last year of the Payne law.

War Blessing to Democrats.

Senator Penrose insisted that the war had been a political blessing to the Democratic party rather than a handicap to the successful working out of its free trade policy.

"The Treasury deficit which is blamed on the European war," he said, "would, in my opinion, be a thousand times worse were it not for the war in Europe. The war in Europe has been the only cause which has saved the fiscal policy of the party now in power from the most gigantic collapse ever witnessed in a civilized country. I believe if we had not had the war in Europe we would have had the blackest times in the history of the American republic, compared to which the depression under Cleveland's second administration and under the Wilson-Gorman law would have been insignificant."

Republicans who joined in the debate included Senators Lodge, Smoot, Gronna, Gallinger, and Works. Senators Thomas and Gore supported Senators Simmons and Underwood.

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE.

Pursuant to a power of sale contained in one certain mortgage given by D. M. Beardsley and wife, Sarah E. Beardsley, to H. A. Burr, Jr., on August 13, 1914, and duly recorded in Book 78, page 402, Public Records of New Hanover County, and assigned by the said mortgagee to the Standard Supply Company, default having been made in the payment of the notes secured by said mortgage, the undersigned will, on Monday, the 20th day of December, 1915, at 12:00 o'clock, M., at the Court House door, in Wilmington, North Carolina, offer for sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described pieces, parcels or lots of land, located in Harnett Township, New Hanover County, and bounded and described as follows:

First Tract—Being lot No. 2, Block A, on the Revised Map of Seagate Park, and described as follows: Beginning at a point in the western line of Myrtle Avenue, seven hundred and four (704) feet northwardly from its intersection with the northern line of Bradley's Creek Macadam Road, said point being south 30 degrees west about three hundred and fifty (350) feet from high water mark of west side of Bradley's Creek, runs thence south 30 degrees west and along said western line of Myrtle Avenue fifty-four (54) feet to a point in the northern line of Lot No. six (6) in said Block, runs thence north 61 degrees west and parallel with Bradley's Creek Road one hundred and ninety-three (193) feet and eight (8) inches, thence north 30 degrees east and parallel with Myrtle avenue fifty-four (54) feet; thence south 61 degrees east and parallel with Bradley's Creek Road one hundred and ninety-three (193) feet and eight (8) inches, to the western line of Myrtle Avenue, the beginning.

Second Tract—Being Lot No. 4, Block A, according to Revised Map of Seagate Park, recorded in Book 65, at page 465 of the Records of New Hanover County, aforesaid, and bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the easterly line of a tract of land now or formerly belonging to Gertrude J. Howell, said point being located north 30 degrees E. 715 feet from the northerly line of Bradley's Creek Road, and running thence north 30 degrees E. 377 feet, more or less, to high water mark, or west side of Bradley's or Lee's Creek; thence in a southeastwardly direction along said high water mark of said creek fifty-eight (58) feet to the northwestern corner of Lot No. 3, in said Block; thence south 30 degrees west along the western line of said Lot No. 3, 362 feet, to the southwest corner of said lot No. 3, and thence north 61 degrees west fifty-two and two-tenths (52.2) feet to the beginning, together with necessary right of way as granted in deed from A. W. Pate and wife to S. W. Sebrell, dated April 30, 1909, duly recorded in Book 58, at page 268 of the Records of said County.

Said sale being made subject to a first mortgage for approximately $450.00, given by H. A. Burr, Jr., and wife, to the Rural Building and Loan Association and recorded in Book 68, page 172.

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SEABOARD TO BUILD A LINE TO GOLDSBORO?

Thence Ultimately to Wilmington or Southport?

Such an Interesting Rumor in Raleigh —K. W. Barnes Secretary State Board of Agriculture— Capital News of a Day.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 17.—An interesting rumor of railroad extension is that the Seaboard Air Line is planning to build a line from Henderson to Goldsboro with the ultimate purpose of building to Wilmington or Southport in order to obtain North Carolina seaport facilities. The line from Henderson to Goldsboro would be about 75 miles. It is believed that this line would be via Louisburg, Bunn, Bailey and Kenly, thus touching the Coast Line and Norfolk Southern en route.

The directors of Central State Hospital for insane here, in annual session just held, elected Dr. J. F. Robinson, of the epilepsy village, at Skillman, N. J., as successor to Dr. W. W. Stansill, who has resigned as one of the staff of resident physicians. The annual report of Dr. Albert Anderson as superintendent showed that the hospital averaged 1,119 patients for the year, a gain of 125 over the average for the previous year. Increases of $5,000 in farm and dairy products and $14,000 in revenue from shop work were shown for the past year, compared with the previous year. Forty per cent. more meat was killed the past year than for the previous year. New patients taken in during the year totaled 282 and the number of deaths was 77.

K. W. Barnes Appointed.

Commissioner of Agriculture W. A. Graham announces the appointment of K. W. Barnes as secretary to the State Board of Agriculture, Mr. Barnes having accepted the appointment tendered to him some weeks ago. He served six years as a member of the State Board of Agriculture, having retired from this position two years ago. Mr. Barnes will move his family from Lucama, Wilson county, to Raleigh January 1 and take up the duties of the secretaryship at that time. He succeeds Elias Carr, who resigns to return to his splendid country place, the old "Governor Carr Plantation," in Edgecombe county.

Major Graham has returned from Columbia and Charleston, having attended the annual convention of the Association of Commissioners of Agriculture of the Southern States at Columbia and the Southern Commercial Congress at Charleston. The commissioners exchanged experiences in departmental work for the past year and prepared resolutions that were offered to and adopted by the Southern Commercial Congress endorsing a system of marketing for farmers that provides for origination of organization in individual townships and then its spread to county and ultimately to state units. Major Graham believes that this is a system that will ultimately be worked out in a way that will solve the problem of co-operative marketing successfully.

To List All University Students.

Dr. Kemp P. Battle returned to Chapel Hill today to meet tonight with other members of a special committee to undertake the work of getting out a complete catalogue of all the students of the University of North Carolina from the founding of the University in 1795 to the present time, the catalogue to include brief sketches of the career of each student. It is a stupendous task and will require several years to complete it and cost a very considerable sum. Dr. Battle, Walter Murphy, of Salisbury, and J. K. Wilson, of Elizabeth City, are members of the committee along with a number of the members of the University faculty.

N. C. DEMOCRATS UNITED.

More So Than in Years Before, So Chairman Warren Thinks.

Newbern, N. C., Dec. 17.—That the Democrats of North Carolina are more united now than has been the case in many years, is the opinion of Thomas D. Warren, chairman of the State Democratic executive committee. Mr. Warren is most optimistic over the present outlook for one of the greatest Democratic votes in North Carolina at the next election that has ever been heard of and that the victory will be overwhelming he has no doubt.

Chairman Warren, who has his finger on the political pulse of the party, says that the majority of the Democrats of the State are standing right with President Wilson on each and every one of his policies and that they will uphold him in every possible way.

When asked in regard to what he thought of the proposed plan to pay the expenses of the proposed increase of the army and navy, Chairman Warren stated that the administration had looked into the matter to the fullest extent and that the people of North Carolina as well as elsewhere, might rest assured that anything that President Wilson and his advisers decided would be best to do in regard to this matter would be the best plan.

WARSAW NEWS NOTES

Tobacco Market Has Had Good Season—Holly Shipments.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Warsaw, Dec. 17.—The Warsaw tobacco market closed today for the Christmas holidays. It will re-open January 3rd. This has been a good season, and sales have been heavy at both warehouses.

Holly is being shipped in some quantities from Turkey on the Clinton branch road.

The past two weeks have been "hog killing" time in Duplin, the weather having been ideal for the slaughter, and some fine pork and sausage have been brought to market here.

The Dramatic Club of Warsaw high school will present the play, "Poor Married Man," in the auditorium next Thursday evening. Professor B. C. Siske and Miss Ruth Moore are the directors. Next week is examination week in the school, which closes Thursday for the Christmas holidays.

Wilson, N. C., Dec. 17.—Judge William Bond, of Edenton, will hold a term of the Superior court here beginning Monday. This would have been the last term of Judge Rountree but for the fact that he has resigned as judge of the Eighth judicial district.

THEATRICAL

Today, matinee and night, at the Academy Henry W. Savage will offer his production of the dramatic spectacle "Everywoman," one of the real lasting successes of the American stage. It is estimated that it has been witnessed by over four million people. When it is considered that the manuscript of this play which has cleared over half a million dollars for its producer was for many years kicked and cuffed about the managerial offices in New York, hopelessly rejected, the discouraged writer of unaccepted plays should have hope. There are just enough girls and music in the performance to conceal from the tired business man the preachments it contains. It recites a story of universal experience and its popularity is due in a large measure to men and women who seldom attend theatrical or musical performances. The leading and title role is played by Edna Porter, a young and beautiful woman. A symphony orchestra accompanies the organization.

The matinee prices will range from 50 cents to $1.50. The night prices will be from 50 cents to $2. Tickets are selling at Plummer's.

Nat C. Goodwin.

No booking announcement of the Academy management carries more weight or will be more heartily received than does the coming of Mr. Nat C. Goodwin for one night only on next Wednesday, in his latest success, "Never Say Die," written by William H. Post, an American author, while he was touring in Europe with the natural intention of a production in this country when he returned home.

In the course of a meeting with Charles Hawtrey, England's leading comedian, "Never Say Die" was read to him and a deal was consummated whereby he produced the play at the Apollo theatre there, and lo' and behold! it ran a solid year to tremendous business.

For the American theatre, Mr. Nat Goodwin, long recognized as our leading comedian, was induced to star in this happy comedy of "Never Say Die" and that he has accomplished an equal, if not greater success than his English contemporary, is generally conceded by all.

Nat Goodwin, always an actor possessing that fine strain of unctious comedy, portrayed by a "high piano finish" that audiences so appreciate, long ago became the greatest comedian on the American stage.

"Never Say Die" tells a story in three rollicking acts, of Dionysious Woodbury, millionaire bachelor, ordained by the eminent doctors to die in a brief space of time. He forthwith inveigles himself into a series of complications all contingent on his approaching death, to work out right. And to say the audience enjoyes the unwinding of the tangle, is to put it mildly.

Margaret Moreland, who has taken her place among the beauties of the stage, is the leading lady and other important roles are in the hands of Han Bernard, Maude Henderson, Alexandre J. Herbert, Isador Marcil, Dennis Cleugh, Luke Brohman and others. The prices will range from 50 cents to $1.00. Tickets will go on sale Monday morning at Plummers'.

Farrar at the Victoria.

The greatest photo dramatic production ever seen on the screen will be the attraction at the Victoria next Monday, when Geraldine Farrar, the celebrated operatic prima donna, will appear in a film version of her famous opera, "Carmen," produced by the Jesse L. Lasky Company.

In securing the appearance of Miss Farrar before the motion picture camera the Lasky company scored the greatest coup in the history of the motion picture industry. This distinguished international artist had held herself aloof from scores of flattering offers to appear before the camera until she was approached by a representative of the Lasky organization.

In "Carmen" Miss Farrar is seen as the half-wild, fascinating gypsy who is the head of a band of smugglers. How she leads one to death and another to ruin and is herself stabbed by a jealous lover are but incidents in this thrilling five-reel picture.

The cast to support Miss Farrar was selected from the most prominent and capable artists in the country. Wallace Reid, one of the most prominent stars in the country, plays Don Jose; Pedro De Cordoba, leading man for Margaret Anglin, is seen as the Toreador, William Elmer, Anita King, Jeanie Macpherson, H. B. Carpenter and other members of the Lasky all-star stock company are seen in strong roles.

"Cabiria" Makes Hit

Did you see "Cabiria" yesterday? If you didn't just ask your next door neighbor what they thought of it. Never in the history of Wilmington was such an impression created as by the first two performances of the two-day engagement of this world's greatest sensation in motion pictures before. "Cabiria" is so big, so unusual, so spectacular, so utterly beyond any lack of words to describe that you will just be compelled to see it to even realize in a measure its vastness, its superb setting and the wonderful theme of the most wonderful story ever put on the films.

"Cabiria" went big yesterday—there is no getting around that. And it will go bigger today. While seat sales for today's shows have been somewhat backward it was demonstrate late yesterday afternoon after the initial performance that there would be a rush this morning. So those who have delayed thus far, should either call by the box office or telephone 327 and have seats reserved for either the afternoon or evening performance. "Cabiria" will not come back to Wilmington—at least for a long while. So this afternoon and tonight are the last opportunities Wilmington will have of witnessing the world's greatest sensation in the way of motion picture productions.

Charlie Chaplin at Grand

Today is Charlie Chaplin day at the Grand! That guarantees packed houses afternoon and night. Charlie pulls off some of his greatest stunts in this great one-reel laugh maker, entitled "The New Janitor." He's at his very best, and is assisted by some other great Keystone fun-makers that are familiar to all Wilmington movie patrons. It's a continuous scream from the minute the scene opens with Charlie diligently scrubbing the floors until he knocks 'em all out in the last round.

Charlie draws a crowd always, and today at the Grand, did everyone know that this is really one of his very biggest one-reel Keystone comedy productions, the crowds would be overflowing.

A great two-reel Kalem dramatic feature, "The Sign of the Broken Shackles," is one of the most thrilling, the most unique and thoroughly satisfying productions of the year, and stars a bunch of Kalem's brightest artists.

Then there's a big comedy feature, "The Night that Sophia Graduates," a full of reel of laughs by Essanay.

Chaplin Imitator at Bijou.

I'll bet you eleven dollars and forty-nine cents that there are times in today's great two-reel comedy, in which the world's greatest Charlie Chaplin imitator is featured, when you won't know whether it's Charlie or some one else, if we hadn't told you before hand it wasn't!

Charlie himself says he's the greatest imitator of that peerless fun-making stunt that he has ever seen. It's in two full reels, and the name is "Pincul at the Bat." There's a mixture of great cartoon work that is especially great. You don't want to miss this great two-reel comedy.

There's another great picture today—a three-reel fairy tale with some of Universal's prettiest stars in the roles of fairies, led by that dainty personality, Alsie Alberts. "The Kingdom of Nosey Land" is three reels that every man, woman or child who sees will enjoy. It's no picture made specially for the kids—it will appeal even more forcibly to grown-ups. There's not a doubt but that you'll like it—we guarantee that you will, for it's simply great!

"Graustark" Today—Royal.

Of "Graustark," the great feature to be presented at the Royal today, the Moving Picture World says:

"'Graustark' well merits the distinction of being the first V. L. S. E. release. A close analysis of the book which is closely followed, will reveal that the production required infinite care and attentinon to detail. Throughout, the attention and interest of the spectator is never allowed to lag and it brings the final pleasure of a happy ending. There is not a single jarring note in the acting to disturb the harmony and pleasure created by intelligent and artistic acting by Francis X. Bushman in his very best form and Miss Beverly Bayne, who has never before been seen to such a fine advantage as in this picture."

"Graustark" is a thrilling story of love behind a throne, done in a spectacular manner with elaborate and costly settings, and a magnificent cast of supporting stars. "Graustark" should draw capacity crowds at the Royal today, as it is presented with the personal guarantee of the management to give eminent satisfaction to e

A Stirring Scene from the Film Masterpiece "Graustark" at the Royal Today

A beauty in Henry W. Savage's production of "Everywoman" at the Academy today.

COTTON STATES SOW MORE LAND IN WHEAT

While Acreage of Country Generally Decreases

North Carolina Shows Increase of One Per Cent.—Government Estimate of 1916 Winter Wheat Crop Is 540,000,000 Bushels.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Next year's winter wheat crop was estimated today by the Department of Agriculture at about 540,000,000 bushels. That would be 115,000,000 bushels less than the winter wheat harvest this season but approximately 100,000,000 bushels more than the average of the five years, 1909-13.

The cotton growing states there was an increased area planted to winter wheat. Virginia planted 1,371,000 acres, an increase of 7 per cent. over the area sown in the fall of 1914; North Carolina; 1,090,000 acres, an increase of 1 per cent.; South Carolina 233,000 acres, the same as last year; Georgia, 348,000 acres, an increase of one per cent.; Alabama, 118,000 acres, an increase of 12 per cent.; Mississippi, 7,000 acres, an increase of 20 per cent.; Texas, 1,497,000 acres, a decrease of 1 per cent.; Oklahoma, 3,231,000 acres, 14 per cent. decrease; Arkansas, 244,000 acres, 8 per cent., increase; Tennessee, 928,000 acres, 2 per cent. increase.

Winter wheat was sown this fall on 37,256,000 acres, a decrease of 11.3 per cent. from 1914.

The condition of winter wheat December 1 was 87.8 per cent. of normal, compared with 88.3 last year, and 90.8 the ten-year average.

Rye was sown this fall on 3,035,000 acres, a decrease of 3.0 per cent., from 1914.

The condition of rye on December 1 was 91.5 per cent. of normal, compared with 93.6 last year, and 93.3, the ten-year average.

JUDGE PEEBLES RULES AGAINST THE FLOUR MILLS IN CASE.

Upholds State Law and Department of Agriculture—Constitutional.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 17.—Judge Peebles, of the Superior court, has announced his ruling in favor of the State Department of Agriculture in the injunction proceedings instituted against the department by nearly a half hundred flour mills, contesting the law relating to sale of "artificially bleached flour." Judge Peebles holds that the statute contains no violation of either the State or the Federal constitution. It is expected that the case will be appealed to the Supreme Court and will likely be carried on to the United States Supreme Court before final settlement is reached.

The case is Liberty Mills, et al., vs. North Carolina Department of Agriculture and was instituted by the flouring mills through Tillett & Guthrie, of Charlotte. Judge Peebles heard the case three weeks ago, the argument for the State being by Attorney General Bickett and that for the flouring mills by T. C. Guthrie, of Charlotte. Judge Peebles had reserved his ruling until now. The statute, the enforcement of which is being resisted, imposes an annual license tax of $25 on each milling company that puts on the market flours that are artificially bleached. This tax is supposed to defray the expense of collecting and analyzing samples of flour being sold in the State.

DR. PRATT IN MASSACHUSETTS

Guest of Chamber of Commerce of Worcester—Speaks on Roads.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Chapel Hill, Dec. 17.—Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt, State Geologist, has gone to Worcester, Massachusetts, as the guest of the Chamber of Commerce of Worcester, to make an address on "The Selection of Materials for Highway Construction," before the International Road Congress, which is now in session.

BURNED TO DEATH AT MONROE

South Carolina Travelling Man Loses Life in Boarding House Fire

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 17.—M. M. Coltharp, a traveling man, of Fort Mill, S. C., was burned to death early yesterday in a fire which destroyed a boarding house operated on the second floor of the Express building, at Monroe, N. C. The body was not discovered until the flames had been subdued. The fire loss was small.

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TOP O' THE MORNING

If there be some weaker one,
Give me strength to help him on;
If a blinder soul there be,
Let me guide him nearer Thee.
—WHITTIER.

Not all the world loves all the lovers.

Something unexpected is going to happen.

Nobody has ever said a good word for rheumatism but it goes on holding its own.

Our diplomatic relations with Austria are such distant relations that they are hardly recognized.

Now is the time to pick out a hiding place for your Christmas presents so the family cannot nose around and find them.

It is stated that the Filipino boys are taking readily to baseball. One more thing to spoil a lot of farm hands.

We have no advice to give to Congress. When Congress wants advice from us it will have to pay in advance for it.

A lawyer often thinks he has made a strong case till he hears from the lawyer who is to point out every flaw that is inconsistent with law.

We've got to beat the Republicans next year, but when it's all over we'll know that we've been in a fight with special interests, unmitigated prejudice and circumstances which nobody could control.

We have just two more weeks in which to get our minds in trim as to what we are going to do for Wilmington next year. We ought to get an early start and make a big score during the coming year.

A Republican paper says the Republicans want a leader but it should be noted that already a dozen egotists are giving the party to understand that they should be recognized as the leader wanted on this momentous occasion.

Washington officials have been in office long enough to refrain from discussing diplomatic matters at random. They ought to let diplomacy take the formal course and then give out only the official conclusions. Possibly the newspaper reporters are putting words in the mouths of the diplomats, because real diplomats never speak prematurely.

England is mobilizing her American securities by exchanging British securities for them at the royal treasury. Patriotic holders are surrendering their American holdings and it is said the treasury now holds $2,000,000 of them. Of course, this means credit in America to that extent. If the government finds it necessary, American securities will be sent over here in lieu of cash. They will hardly be sent faster than the American market can absorb them, else our securities might take a tumble. That is hardly to be expected, however for the financiers in both America and England are on the job.

The re-enactment of the emergency or war tax measure got a bare majority of six votes in the House at Washington Thursday. Five Democrats and five Progressives voted with the Republicans, and the latter made it the occasion of attacking the financial operations of the Democratic administration. They argued that but for the Democratic tariff, there would be no need of an extra war tax, but Democratic Leader Kitchin made a great speech exposing their fallacious contentions. He showed from the Treasury receipts that under the Democratic tariff up to the beginning of the war $20,000,000 more government revenue was derived than under the Republican tariff law during a corresponding period. The war stopped the receipts and Mr. Kitchin proved it to the satisfaction of all who are willing to admit the truth. Partisanship, however, is not expected to admit anything.

THE GOOD ROADS FURORE.

Just on the eve of the Christmas holidays it is a good sign that the Wilmington Rotarians and good roadsters went on an automobile ride to Burgaw yesterday and participated in a mass meeting held there in the interest of modern rural highways in Eastern North Carolina. The Wilmington contingent made an enthusiastic descent upon Burgaw, and their manner of attending the mass meeting and participating in the exercises must have made a deep impression on the people of Pender, Duplin and Sampson counties.

The good roads doctrine was proclaimed in a convincing way at the Burgaw gathering and one of the notable features was a barbecue served after the manner peculiar to the warm-hearted, hospitable people of Pender. The spirit of the occasion spread after a contagious fashion, and the already great enthusiasm for good roads is going to be increased in all the splendid counties of this portion of the Nation's Garden Spot.

The people are now realizing what an immense development factor good roads are, and they are recognizing them as investments instead of liabilities to be taken on with misgivings and dread of taxes. It is not a question of taxes now, but a question of saving taxes by increasing values and opportunities that an aroused people are considering. They are waking up to the fact that they cannot afford to do without modern highways for economic rural transportation and the material development of rural sections because of one of the modern facilities for better market communication, transportation and travel.

By the way, we understand that in some counties there are propositions to construct good roads alongside the railroads, although there is a reverse sentiment to the effect that the roads should be built through sections of a county which have no railroad communication. It will be found that the latter idea is the most practical one. Rural highways should be constructed with a view to giving isolated sections the advantage of more economic communication with the markets and for the purpose of bringing about the development of as many sections of a county as possible.

We might as well build two good roads alongside of each other as to follow a railroad with a rural highway, except in cases where it may be necessary or advantageous. The railroads and good public roads are but improved physical means of transportation and the idea is that where there is no railroad there should be a good public road. A section with a railroad does not need a good public road near so badly as a section that has neither.

Practical good roads building and efficient construction of highways should be the main idea, and they should be built where they will bring about the greatest development and afford the maximum of convenience to all the people of a county.

Link up the good roads with the railroads. Cross section the railroads with modern rural highways so a county may have a complete system of transportation. It is transportation that all the counties need, and that is the purpose of good roads.

COLONIZATION PLANS IN THE SOUTH

While we are building cities and towns in the South, it is just as important to build up the country so there may be substantial support for the cities and towns. In fact, no flourishing city can be sustained unless there are resources back of it to give it a reason to exist. Natural resources have built more cities than have come into existence because of some other advantages that possibly may be availed of in but a few instances.

Developing the country and its resources at the same time that the cities are being built up is the idea, and the railroad managers appreciate it more fully than any other class of our constructionists. The railroads are colonizing their territory while the city folk are building their cities, and certainly the work must go hand in hand and call forth co-operation between all constructionists. The railroads are working as they never have done so systematically heretofore, and this is one instance of it mentioned editorially by the Savannah Morning News:

"The interest shown in the colonization movement by certain railroads in Georgia promises well for the future development of those counties which their lines traverse. One road that is in the movement in a practical way is the Atlanta, Birmingham and Atlantic which, according to a dispatch from Waycross to the Morning News, has employed an expert who will devote his entire time to the promotion of immigration to Georgia. Co-operation now by land owners, combined with the dissatisfaction said to have been caused among farmers in Western states by the increasing price of land, should bring the right sort of settlers and the golden opportunity together in South Georgia."

We need not depend upon dissatisfaction in the West to attract home-seekers to this section. The superior adaptabilities, the more pronounced advantages, the better opportunities and the greater possibilities of the South is all we need to depend upon for securing settlers. If these are made known in the right way and opportunities are offered in a definite shape, people are bound to come to the portunities are offered in definite work on matured plans instead of depending on vague kinds of noise, we will get rich results.

Some people make trouble for themselves as well as for others.

THE LUMBER INDUSTRY ON A BOOM

One of the most gratifying evidences of prosperity in the "Land of the Long Leaf Pine" is the big boom in the lumber industry. The saw mills all over Eastern North Carolina are busy and many of them are unable to supply the demands upon them. Prices are advancing and the mill men tell us that there is no telling how high they will go. Some of the mills are increasing their facilities and the lumber manufacturers are getting elated over the prospect.

One of the evidences of the boom in lumber is the fact that the railroads and steamships are carrying record shipments of lumber. Some of the mills have made money even during the period of depression, but one of our best known manufacturers and dealers says there is no reason now why all the mills should not make money.

We won't say that the United States ought to have the greatest navy in the world, but we betcha that if it were the greatest nine-tenths of the American people would just naturally stick out their chests. We would assist them in doing it, so it's no use to prevaricate about it at all. George Washington was right when he confessed that he did it with his little hatchet.

BETTER GO EASY.

State Board of Health Advises Against Too Much Christmas.

"Go easy during the coming holiday season," is the advice of the State Board of Health in its latest bulletin. "During and immediately following the gayeties and festivities of the holiday season," according to this bulletin, "is a favorite time for all sorts of digestive disturbances. Many cases of colds, and frequently pneumonia and tuberculosis, manifest themselves largely because of intemperance or excesses in one or several ways incident to the usual holiday season."

In summing the whole matter up, the Board advises shopping early and avoiding the rush; extreme moderation in the matter of eating candies and knick-knacks, and making certain that the candies bought or eaten are of the best materials and contain no cheanp, poisonous or indigestible coloring matter.

The annual Christmas drunk is also tabooed on the ground that one case of drunkeness a year is just one too many. Young people especially are cautioned against losing reason about going to dances, parties, suppers, spreads, and balls every night and trying to keep up appearances on half rations or sleep. Better eat less, we are told, and exercise more, dissipate less and get more fresh air, on the ground that we will enjoy our Christmas more and live to see more of them.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Commenting on the fact that some of the scribes insist on writing it "Newbern," the News and Observer remarks that pretty soon these same scribes will be writing it "Newbernsunjournal." Yes, and when they do we'll go gunning.—Newbern Sun.

Booker T. Washington was born a slave and never denied it. The distinguished colored person who is most talked of as his successor claims to be descended in direct line from an African chief, which shows that the devil of aristocracy has gained a foothold even at Tuskegee.—New York World.

By its purchase of what remained of the great Pacific Mail fleet, the American International Corporation, recently organized, responds to President Wilson's remark to business men the other day at Columbus, O., that he "would like to have the thrilling pride of realizing that there is nobody in American who is afraid to match wits with the world." This transaction is important in itself, for it preserves to the flag ships that are sorely needed in our trade on the Western coast, but it is even more significant as showing a new spirit in financial enterprise. The buyers of ships, like those who are building ships, are not waiting for subsidies, and they have a confidence in fair treatment at the hands of the people that is not misplaced.—New ork World.

We are greatly indebted to the daily papers for the ample space they gave to reports of the Convention. The Charlotte dailies—the Observer and the News—both kept capable reporters (Mr. Littlejohn, Miss Bays, and others) on close track of the proceedings, gave many columns to each day's story and side-lights, carried a number of pictures and sketches, and made discriminating editorial comment on the Convention. Other dailies sent reporters at large expense, paid heavy telegraph tolls, and devoted liberal space to the Convention. Mr. Gerald Johnson reported for the Greensboro News; Rev. W. M. Gilmore for the News and Observer; Rev. T. W. Chambliss for the Wilmington Star, Raleigh Times, Winston-Salem Journal and Asheville Citizen. And we think there were others present who rendered similar service through other dailies. Moreover, first-hand reports and impressions were secured by editors and reporters for many weeklies throughout the State. The Charlotte Convention was well reported.—Biblical Recorder (Baptist).

ATLANTIC COAST LINE CAUSES BOOM AT SOUTH ROCKY MOUNT

All Employes Working Full Time, While Overtime Work is in Demand.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Rocky Mount, N. C., Dec. 17.—Additional signs of prosperity and the return of conditions not only to normal but even better is occasioned by the announcement from the Atlantic Coast Line that until further orders the thousand or more men in their employ at South Rocky Mount will be continued o nfull time, and men are being carroled together for the service and the total list of employes is growing each day. Employes of the company declare that overtime in the service is in active demand now and that the earning capacity is limited only by the ar ount of time that they can remain on duty.

Coupled with this very enthusiastic and even booming condition comes the announcement from the large quarry of the English Stone Company, that after naving been suspended for more than six months they are resuming work with full force and that within the next several weeks, when the many bins may be refilled, they will be moving upwards of fifteen carloads of crushed and screened rock from their quarry.

SUNDAY SERVICES

First Presbyterian church, corner Third and Orange streets, Rev. John M. Wells, D. D., pastor: Service in the morning at 11 and in the evening at 8, with preaching by Dr. Wells. Sermon subjects: Morning, "Duty;" evening, "The Women of the Bible." Sunday school in the afternoon at 3:30. Christian Endeavor in the evening at 7:15. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, Fourth and Harnett streets, Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D., pastor: Preaching at 11 in the morning and at 8 in the evening. Sabbath school in the afternoon at 3:30. Junior C. E. at 4:30. Senior C. E. at 7:15. Prayer and praise service Wednesday evening at 8. Seats free. All welcome. Dr. McClure expects to preach at Castle Haynes in the afternoon at 3:30.

Pearsall Memorial Presbyterian church, East Wilmington, Rev. H. W. Koelling, pastor: Sabbath school at 10:30 in the morning. Preaching in the morning at 11:15. Junior C. E. at 7 in the evening. Senior C. E. at 7:30. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30. A cordial invitation to all these services.

Harnett Street Mission, Eighth and Harnett streets, Rev. W. M. Baker, evangelist in charge: Sabbath school in the morning at 9:30. Preaching each second and fourth Sabbaths at 7:30 in the evening.

Winter Park Presbyterian church, Rev. A. J. Howell, pastor—Services tomorrow at 11 A. M. by the pastor. Sunday school at 3:30 P. M. Mid-week prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:45 P. M. Visitors will be cordially welcomed to all services.

Delgado Presbyterian church, Rev. A. J. Howell, pastor—Services tomorrow evening at 7:30. Sunday school in the morning at 10:15. Midweek prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The public is invited to all services.

NEW YORK MAKES NEW RECORD IN EXPORTS DURING NOVEMBER

Larger Proportion Goes to Allies —South American Trade Gains.

New York, Dec. 17.—Exports valued at $188,036,458, by far the largest volume ever shipped from an American port during a single month, left New York harbor during November, according to statistics announced at the custom house today. The November figures exceed those for October, which were themselves a record, by more than $12,000,000.

Custom officials were surprised to learn that during November the imports at this port were $97,666,815, about $22,000,000 greater than the October imports. However, a considerable portion of the imports were in the "free goods" class, and notwithstanding the volume, duties for November were less than for October with imports to $75,000,000.

An overwhelming proportion of the total exports went to Great Britain, France and Russia, although the statistics show that South American trade made a material increase during the months. The goods were carried on more than 400 ships.

WHITE STAR LINE OFFERS TO COMPROMISE TITANIC CLAIMS

Would Be Released of Further Liability if Claimants Accept Terms.

New York, Dec. 17.—The White Star Line has agreed to pay $664,000 in settlement of all claims arising from the sinking of the Titanic on April 15, 1912, when more than 1,500 persons were drowned, attorneys for the line announced here today. Of this amount approximately $500,000 would go to American claimants, and $50,000 to British claimants while $114,000 would be for interest and expenses in connection with the numerous suits.

Forty-four attorneys, representing that number of persons out of more than sixty who filed claims, have signified their willingness to accept the terms.

If all of the claimants, both in this country and Great Britain, agree to the proposition, the White Star Line will be released from all further liability growing out of the Titanic disaster. The agreement is now being circulated among those having claims and must be acted upon before December 30 to become operative.

A jealous woman thinks she is simply asserting a claim to her own.

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Cheap substitutes cost YOU same price.

Christmas Holiday Special Trains

December 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24:

Lv.	CHADBOURN	7:20 A. M.
Lv.	Whiteville	7:35 A. M.
Lv.	Lake Waccamaw	7:57 A. M.
Lv.	Bolton	8:12 A. M.
Ar.	WILMINGTON	9:15 A. M.

Returning.

Lv.	WILMINGTON	6:20 P. M.
Ar.	CHADBOURN	8:15 P. M.

December 23, 24 and 25:

Lv.	GOLDSBORO	10:25 P. M.
Lv.	Mount Olive	11:01 P. M.
Lv.	Warsaw	11:23 P. M.
Lv.	Rose Hill	11:47 P. M.
Lv.	Burgaw	12:27 A. M.
Ar.	WILMINGTON	1:15 Night

Returning Dec. 24, 25 and 27.

Lv.	WILMINGTON	3:40 A. M.
Ar.	GOLDSBORO	6:38 A. M.

These trains stop at all stations for passengers on signal or notice to conductor.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY EXCURSION FARES are in effect December 17 to 25, inclusive, tickets limited, returning, until January 10, 1916.

For further particulars PHONE 160.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Having qualified as administrator of John C. Haar, deceased, I hereby notify all parties owing the said estate to make immediate payment, and those holding claims against said estate will present same on or before the 14th day of November, 1916, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

G. HENRY HAAR,
Administrator.

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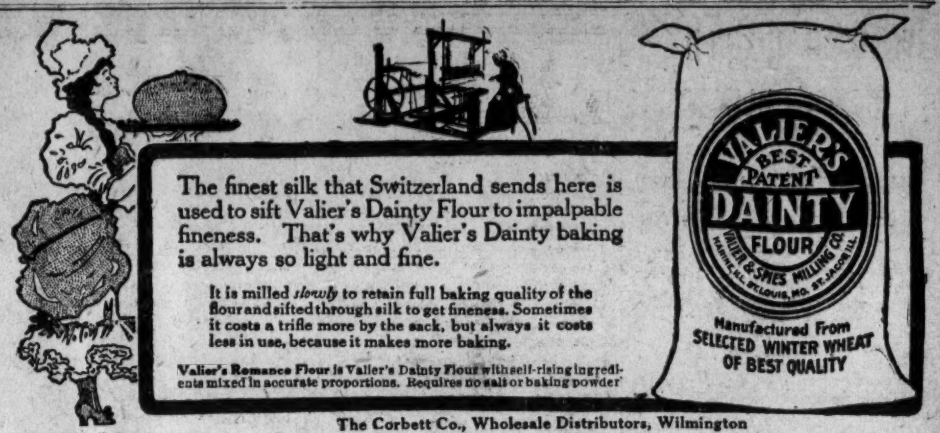

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COMMISSIONER'S SALE.

IN PURSUANCE of a Decree of the Superior Court of New Hanover County, in the case of John D. James, Executor, against Hattie Hammonds and others, the undersigned Commissioner heretofore appointed by an order in the above entitled cause, will sell at the Court House door in the City of Wilmington, N. C., on Monday, the 10th day of January, A. D., 1916, at 12 o'clock M., at public auction, for cash, to the highest bidder, the following described tract of land.

BEGINNING at a point in the Eastern line of Eighth street One Hundred and thirty-two (132) feet North from the Northern line of Castle street, and runs thence Northwardly along the Eastern line of Eighth street Sixty-six (66) feet; thence Eastwardly and parallel with the Northern line of Castle street Ninety-nine (99) feet; thence Southwardly and parallel with the Eastern line of Eighth street sixty-six (66) feet; and thence Westwardly and parallel with the Northern line of Castle street Ninety-nine (99) feet to the beginning; the same being the Western part of lot No. 4, in block No. 94, according to the official plan of said City of Wilmington.

The purchaser at said sale, under the order of the Court, is required to deposit Twenty-five per cent in cash of the amount of his bid as security for the performance of same.

A. G. RICAUD,
Commissioner.

December 10, 1915.

Read Star Business Locals.

BUNGALOW CONTEST

We have purchased Five Hundred Coupon Tickets from the Sorosis Club, and with each cash purchase of $1.00 made from our store, entitles you to one vote, so if you wish your favorite to be the lucky one to win the cozy little Bungalow come to our store for your Christmas and Holiday Goods, where you will find the biggest and best assortment of Men's, Boys' and Children's Wearing Apparel—Smoking Jackets, Bath Robes, Ties and Socks Sets, in Holiday Boxes, Leather Goods, Handkerchiefs, Mufflers, Sweaters, Fancy Vests and Many Other Useful and Valuable Presents.

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Following out the "Rotary" idea, Mr. Moore and his committee insist that the money that stays in Wilmington is the only money that really helps build the city. That being the case, patronize the

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TWO WILMINGTON BANKS HAVE CONSOLIDATED

Two Well Known Financial Institutions Are Merged.

American National Bank and Atlantic Trust & Banking Company to Occupy Home of Latter After Next Monday.

Announcement was made yesterday afternoon that the American National Bank and the Atlantic Trust & Banking Company, two of Wilmington's well known financial institutions, had consolidated and will, after Monday of next week, be conducted under the name of the American Bank & Trust Company in the handsome eight-story building of the Atlantic Trust & Banking Company on the northeast corner of Front and Market streets. The merging of the two banks has been under consideration for some time but was not actually consummated until about 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

The consolidation will give the American Bank & Trust Company a capital of a quarter million dollars, with deposits of about two millions, making the combined resources of the two institutions more than three millions, which places the new bank among the leading concerns in North Carolina. It is planned to develop the trust feature on a wider scale than has heretofore been attempted in this State while at the same time continuing the commercial and savings features on a scale equal to that of any institution in this section.

Both banks have been under the management of bankers of recognized efficiency, who have the confidence of the business people of the community, and it has been learned with much pleasure that the new banking company will be in charge of practically the same officials as were the American National Bank and the Atlantic Trust & Banking Company. The officers and bankers of the new institution have been warmly congratulated upon their decision to consolidate and utilize the combined resources of both money and men in the building up of a bank on an enlarged scale.

Following are the officers and directors elected yesterday afternoon:

President—Thomas E. Cooper.
Vice President—Milton Calder.
Cashier Charles E. Bethea.
Assistant Cashiers—E. Fred Banck, R. L. Henley.

Directors of the institution are as follows: W. B. Cooper, J. G. L. Gieschen, Jurgen Haar, A. G. Warren, J. T. King, V. Sidbury, Cuthbert Martin, John H. Kuck, Geo. O. Gaylord, Thomas E. Cooper, Milton Calder, Eduard Ahrens, Charles E. Bethea, Wilmington; B. G. Collins, Conway, S. C.; P. S. Cooper, Dunn, N. C.; W. B. Blake, Jr., Raleigh.

In order to take care of the future growth of the new banking institution, the building next east of the Trust building, corner Front and Market streets, has been purchased from Mr. George W. Huggins, the jeweler, and will be held in reserve to be used whenever the demands of the business require its use. It was stated yesterday that it is not improbable that this structure will later be carried to the same height as the Trust building, which is one of the handsomest office buildings in the city.

While the new bank will be operated under a state charter in order to allow the development of the trust feature on a wider scale than would be possible as a National bank, it will be a member of the Federal Reserve Banking system and will enjoy all the advantages that the new financial system of the country provides.

The officers of the new bank state that one of the big reasons for consolidation was because of the big opportunity offered to develop the trust feature. Wilmington banks have long been known as the strongest in North Carolina and it is well known this city as a financial center is among the first in the State. Trust companies throughout the country have increased more rapidly both in number and in volume of business during the past 25 years than any other class of banks and the officers of the new bank believe that there is a big field for the development of this class of business in this section.

However, the American Bank and Trust Company will continue its large commercial business as well as operate a savings department. Both the American National Bank and the Atlantic Trust & Banking Company have been operating savings departments and these will be combined in the new bank, making this one of the largest in the State.

President Thomas E. Cooper, who has for the last several years been the chief executive officer of the American National bank, and is recognized as one of the foremost bankers in the State, will devote especial attention to the commercial end. Mr. Milton Calder, the vice president, formerly president of the Atlantic Trust & Banking Company, who has for a number of years given particular attention to trust business, will give practically all his time to the trust feature in the new institution. This department will transact business of every kind which comes under the head of caring for the funds of others.

The American National bank was organized in 1908 by Mr. W. B. Cooper with a capital stock of $50,000, which was increased from time to time until in 1911 it was made $250,000, which is the capital stock at the present time. Mr. W. B. Cooper continued as president until about two years ago when he resigned and was succeeded by his brother. Mr. Thomas E. Cooper. The former, however, has been closely identified with it since that time as chairman of the board of directors and will be one of the directors of the new institution.

The Atlantic Trust & Banking Company was organized in 1902 with a capital stock of $50,000. The late Mr. M. J. Heyer was the first president of this institution and continued in this capacity until his death about two years ago. Under his guidance the bank made steady progress, building up an earned surplus of double its capital. Milton Calder, who became cashier of the bank in 1903, has served capably as the president of the bank for the last two years, and it has continued to grow and prosper under his administration.

The directors of both the banks are among Wilmington's leading business men and practically all of them have been included in the directorate of the new banking institution.

Thomas E. Cooper, the president of the new bank, is a native of South Carolina and came to Wilmington when the American bank was organized, serving as cashier until he was made president. He has made for himself an established reputation throughout the Carolinas as a banker of ability. He was president of the North Carolina Bankers' Association last year.

Mr. Milton Calder, the vice president, is recognized as one of the most progressive young bankers in the State. He is thoroughly acquainted with all the details of the banking business and devotes to it the intelligent consideration that is a requisite for success.

Mr. Charles E. Bethea, who will be cashier of the American Bank & Trust Company, has lived in Wilmington for five years, all of which time he has been connected with the American National Bank, and for the past several years he has been cashier. Mr. E. Fred Banck, one of the assistant cashiers, has been with the American National Bank, for a number of years and is at present assistant cashier. Mr. R. L. Henley, who will also be an assistant cashier of the consolidated bank, has held the position of cashier of the Atlantic Trust & Banking Company, for the past two years.

ANNUAL RECEPTION OF ELKS

Exalted Ruler C. C. Loughlin Appoints Committee to Arrange for New Year's Affair.

The annual New Year's reception of the Elks is always one of the enjoyable social events of the winter in Wilmington and it is planned to make the affair this year on the evening of December 31st the most enjoyable yet. There will be special music by West's orchestra, while some of the leading soloists of the city will give selections, both vocal and instrumental. The reception will be entirely informal and dancing will be one of the enjoyable features.

Exalted Ruler C. C. Loughlin has appointed a general committee in charge of the arrangements as follows: Mr. James Owen Reilly, chairman; C. W. Polvogt, A. J. Mitchell, Adolph Goodman, H. E. Longley, Will Rehder, L. Stein, W. R. Hudler, J. H. Niggel and W. D. Huhn.

Mr. H. E. Webber will have charge of the refreshments. Each member of the club has been appointed to serve on the receiving committee to assist in making the visitors feel at home.

Each club member is allowed five invitations and these must be in by December 23rd in order that the proper arrangements may be made for entertaining the visitors.

HOLIDAY TRAIN SERVICE.

Atlantic Coast Line Announces Additional Accommodations Here.

On account of the Christmas holiday travel, the passenger department of the Atlantic Coast Line has announced additional train service to and from Wilmington during the rush period on the Wilmington & Weldon and the W., C. & A. roads.

On Thursday, December 23rd, and Friday, December 24th, trains 91 and 90, which were recently discontinued on account of the depression incident to the war, will be continued to Wilmington, leaving Goldsboro at 10:25 P. M., and arriving at Wilmington on Friday, December 24th, and Saturday, December 25th, at 1:15 A. M., while No. 90 on Friday and Saturday, December 24th and 25th, will leave Wilmington at 3:40 A. M., and arrive at Goldsboro at 6:30 A. M.

The extra service on the W., C. & A. will be an extra train between Chadbourn and Wilmington on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, leaving Chadbourn at 7:20 A. M., and arriving at Wilmington at 9:15 A. M. Returning, this train on the days named will leave Wilmington at 6:20 P. M. and arrive at Chadbourn at 8:15 P. M. The trains will stop on signal at all stations for passengers as follows: Chadbourn, Whiteville, Hallsboro, Lake Waccamaw, Bolton, New Berlin, Malmo, Navassa and Wilmington.

COINS FOR CHRISTMAS.

People's Savings Bank Prepared to Do the Handsome for Friends.

Bright, new coins, of varying denominations in gold, silver and copper, many of them bearing the 1915 imprint, have just been received in large quantity by the People's Savings Bank, which, according to its annual custom, will be exchanged with customers and friends desiring these coins for Christmas presents. Nothing makes a prettier or more useful gift during the joyous yuletide than coins of any denomination and the People's is prepared to furnish almost anything desired by its friends and customers. The gold coin is in denominations of $2.50, $5, $10 and $20, while the silver may be had in as wide variety of bright, new coinage, direct from the Philadelphia mint.

The bank has also received for this Christmas a supply of attractive coin holders in which to make the gift of the coins and these may be had for the asking by friends and patrons who desire the coin. The bank will be ready for the distribution today and its friends and customers are invited to call.

JUDGE DANIELS HERE TODAY

Comes to Wilmington to Hear Motions and Sign Judgments.

Judge Frank Daniels will be in Wilmington today to hear motions and sign judgments in Superior Court. Judge Daniels was prevented from holding court here this week on account of illness but stated early in the week that he would be here today to wind up the business which was to be disposed of at this term of civil court. This will be the last court of the year.

Judge Daniels is scheduled to hold court at Whiteville next week, but it is probable that there will not be more than two or three days of the session on account of the nearness of Christmas.

Didn't See the Car.

Mr. L. E. Snipes, a driver for the Globe Bakery Co., had his shoulder slightly injured yesterday morning when a trolley car struck a wagon which he was driving while passing near the corner of Fourth and Taylor streets. The wagon was damaged slightly while the team was uninjured. Mr. Snipes started to drive across the track and did not know that the car was approaching so closely behind him. Motorman Lewis, who was running the trolley car, applied the brakes but on account of the track being wet, the car skidded a considerable distance, causing it to strike the wagon before stopping. Mr. Snipes went to Dr. Houston Moore to have his injury treated and then returned to his work.

SUPERB WRESTLING MATCH

Hanson Awarded Bout After Masked Visitor Declined to Continue, Following Long Struggle.

What was in all probability the most superb wrestling exhibition ever seen in the city of Wilmington terminated in a referee's decision for Fritz Hanson, the local welter weight favorite, last night at Woolvin Hall, when his masked and unknown opponent, after two hours and five minutes wrestling without a fall, declined to continue the mtach. Previous to this long bout Hanson had pinned his opponent to the mat ten seconds after the timekeeper had called time when they first entered the ring, but when the masked wrestler protested the referee's decision in awarding the fall to Hanson, the latter agreed to continue the match and not count the fall.

Whoever the masked wrestler is, he is by far the cleverest man to appear here against the doughty little Swede, and but for his refusal to continue the match to a finish last night, he would have made a wonderfully favorable impression upon the local fans. They, however, did not like his action in quitting, according to their shouts of disapproval which greeted his retirement from the ring.

The two wrestlers were practically evenly matched in weight, and the "Unknown" is easily the fastest of the many wrestlers who have tried their skill with Hanson here. Many who saw the match believed that he was fully as fast as Hanson, and some declared he was faster. Hanson's work in pinning him down ten seconds after the match had started, however, does not seem to support this latter theory.

This fall was one of the prettiest pieces of wrestling ever seen in the city. The two men entered the ring a few minutes before 9 o'clock, Hanson's opponent wearing a black mask that completely covered his head and neck, save for slits cut for his eyes, nose and ears. After the referee had made the customary introduction, the time-keeper called time and the match was on. As the masked wrestler slipped out of his bathrobe Hanson crossed the platform, and, working so fast that few could follow his movements, had pinned his opponent's shouledrs to the mat with a double arm lock almost before the spectators could realize that the bout had started. The referee promptly awarded the fall to Hanson, but the masked wrestler objected, declaring that Hanson had not paused to shake hands as is customary. The referee and many of the fans claimed that Hanson did shake hands, at least technically, and Hanson himself stated that he had clasped his opponent's hand as he closed with him, but rather than have any dissatisfaction he agreed to waive the fall and continue the match.

Hanson was roundly applauded for this decision, and the fans settled down to enjoy the match. The masked wrestler was not to be caught napping a second time, and after the first few preliminary passages the fans saw that Hanson at last had met a foeman worthy of his strength and skill.

After about ten minutes of wrestling, the men, in a clinch, fell through the ropes to the floor below the platform, and Hanson sustained some injury to his side. Time was taken out for ten minutes, and at the end of that time Hanson was back in the ring, ready to continue the m atch.

For two long hours more the struggle went on without a pause and the work of both men was clean, fast and of the highest order of skill. The "Unknown" wrestler divided the aggressive work pretty evenly with Hanson, and the latter probably secured more near-falls than did his masked opponent. In fact, the latter's prettiest work was in breaking Hanson's holds, including the hammer lock, head scissors, body and crotch holds and many other favorite grips of the local man. At one time he broke a combined head scissors and hammer lock that, to the fans, looked impossible to come out of.

Under Police Gazette rules, a match that goes two hours without a fall is to be called a draw, or, if one of the wrestlers has shown the aggressive for the greater part of the time, he may be awarded the referee's decision. When the two men had wrestled for two hours last night, Referee Wade halted them and asked what they wished to do. Hanson stated that since he had waived one fall already, he desired to continue the match to a finish. His unknown opponent, after some argument, agreed to this, and the bout was resumed. They wrestled for five minutes more, when the masked wrestler declined to continue further, stating that the referee changed his mind too often to suit him. In just what respect the referee had changed his mind, the fans could not see, and they were not slow to voice their disapproval of the unknown wrestler's action in quitting.

Before the crowd had left the hall, Referee Wade stated that there had been some criticism of Mr. Hanson in a certain element among the local fans, and that he would like to have an expression of sentiment as to whether or not the Wilmingtonians interested in the wrestling game desired Mr. Hanson to remain in Wilmington. The shouts of "We do" were practically unanimous.

While many of the fans do not like the masked man's action in quitting last night, many others would be glad to see another match between the two men. Most of the fans believe the unknown wrestler to be Young Monday, of New York, though they have no definite knowledge of his identity.

BEFORE THE RECORDER.

Mamie McMillan, Colored, Given Fine for Violating Prohibition Law.

Mamie McMillan, colored, was before the Recorder yesterday on two charges, one for larceny and the other for violating the prohibition law. She was found not guilty of the former charge and required to pay a fine of $25 and the costs for violating the prohibition law or go to the county farm for 60 days.

Edgar Brawley, colored, was charged by his wife with stealing $16 in cash, but there was no other evidence to prove it and he was discharged. John DeBoys was taxed with the costs for violating the driving ordinance. Louis Spencer, colored, started to celebrate Christmas too early by shooting fireworks and will have a hearing on Tuesday. The police continue their war on vagrants and Haynes Monroe, colored, was taken in custody Thursday on this charge. He will have a hearing today.

Three dozen eggs, $1.00; three pounds Catawba Butter, $1.00. New Market. Advertisement

NO POWDER PLANT IN STATE

Duponts Thank Wilmington Rotary Club for Offer But State They Will Not Establish Factory.

That the Dupont Powder Company is not at this time considering the location of a plant in North Carolina is the information contained in a letter from this corporation to Mr. J. B. Rice, chairman of the manufacturing committee of the Wilmington Rotary Club. When it was rumored some time ago that the Duponts would come to North Carolina to establish a branch factory, the Rotary Club immediately got busy and secured options on several desirable sites in this vicinity.

Letters and telegrams were sent to the Dupont people informing them that they could have their choice of whatever site seemed to be best suited to their needs. While Wilmington was busy on the proposition, other places were also active, especially Fayetteville, Tarboro and Kinston. Had the Duponts been desirous of coming to North Carolina, they would not have lacked for invitations.

In a letter received yesterday by Mr. J. B. Rice, the chief engineer of the Dupont company after stating that at this time no consideration is being given to locating a plant in North Carolina, expresses appreciation for the kind offer of assistance.

No positive reports to the effect that the Duponts would establish a plant in North Carolina were received in Wilmington but it was rumored on apparently good foundation that such was the case, and the local boosters immediately got busy. They went further than simply inviting the Duponts to come to Wilmington and secured the sites for them to select from.

The Wilmington Chamber of Commerce was also active in efforts to secure the branch plant. A letter was received by the secretary of the chamber yesterday stating that there was no foundation for the rumor and thanking this body for the interest taken in the matter.

MR. WEBBER TO BE HOST

His Annual Christmas Dinner to Telegraph Messenger Boys Coming.

Never so happy as when making others happy and always a staunch friend of the boys, both large and small, Manager H. A. Webber, of the Elks' club, has let it be passed around among a few of his friends that on next Wednesday, from 1 to 2 o'clock, he is going to give his annual Christmas dinner to the Western Union and Postal messenger boys, those clever young fellows who labor in and out of season to see that patrons of their lines are given the best that is in them.

Ever since his residence in Wilmington, Mr. Webber has performed this little act of kindness and thoughtfulness for the boys of the telegraph companies and this year is to be no exception. As he says, "I always feel happy and contented when I can do young boys some good and make them happy. I hope it will make them good men and good citizens." And that is just the way Mr. Webber feels about it. The boys are looking forward to this Christmas dinner with a great deal of pleasure.

ANOTHER AUTOMOBILE FIRE

Fire Department Called Out Last Night But Services Not Needed.

Almost at the same hour as one the preceding evening and on account of the same cause, the Wilmington Fire Department was called out last night about 7 o'clock because of a slight blaze which threatened to burn the automobile of Mr. A. B. McNair, which was being supplied with gasoline at the garage of Lassiter-McDuffie Company, after having made the trip to Hargaw. The flames were extinguished before the firemen arrived and but slight damage resulted. The cause of the fire was not determined.

On Thursday night about 7 o'clock the firemen were called out on account of a threatened burning of the electric automobile of Mr. Raymond Hunt.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following deeds were filed for record yesterday: L. W. Moore and wife to T. C. Batson, for $100 and other considerations, lot on south side of Orange street, 165 1-2 feet west of Wrightsville turnpike, 40 by 125 feet in size; R. H. Northrop to C. J. Wilcox, for $100 and other considerations, lot on southwest corner of Green and Wood, 33 by 66 feet in size; Sigmund Bear to Lloyd Crocker and wife, for $100 on west side of Fourth street, 71 feet north of Chestnut, 35 by 95 feet in size; Hugh MacRae & Co. to J. Robert Hollis, for $120 and other considerations, lot at Audubon; R. G. Grady and wife to Coy Hewett and wife, for $100 and other considerations, lot on west side of Sixth, 297 feet south of Marsteller, 33 by 160 feet in size; Louis L. Hanby and wife to Solomon Sternberger, for $100 and other considerations, lot on southwest corner of Fourteenth and Market street, 114 by 150 feet in size.

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TODAY

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New Lot Children's Hats 48c

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Regular $15.00 values—Good Staple Patterns, sizes from 34 to 40—Blues, Grays and Fancies, price $9.95.

BIG TOY DISPLAY THIRD FLOOR

Belk Brothers
BIG DEPARTMENT STORES

NEW ART PACKAGES Received Today

SOCIAL and PERSONAL

There were 524 Red Cross seals sold at the postoffice yesterday. The chaperones in charge today will be Mrs. Cuthbert Martin and Mrs. Boyden Sparkes.

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Miss Thelma Brooks arrived yesterday to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents at their home at Carolina Place. Miss Brooks has been attending the Beachwood School at Jenkintown, Pa.

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The Royal tea bazaar which has been in operation for several weeks under the auspices of the ladies of St. James' Episcopal church auxiliary will have turkey salad for sale this afternoon and evening and Christmas shoppers are given a cordial invitation to call.

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Wilson, N. C., Dec. 17.—Miss Emma Woodley and Mr. H. L. Sitterson were married Wednesday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Whitson, Dr. J. C. Caldwell, of Atlantic Christian College, officiating. The bride is a very attractive young woman with a large circle of friends. The groom is in the employ of the Atlantic Coast Line Railway as ticket agent. After a two weeks' trip to Southern points Mr. and Mrs. Sitterson will make their home here.

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The standing of the bungalow contestants, according to the votes which had come in yesterday, was as follows: Edwina Dewey, first; Emily Eve Jewett, second; Rosalie Jacobi, third; Elizabeth Parsley, fourth; Willie M. Jones, fifth; Helen Carroll, sixth; Elizabeth Stevenson, seventh; Mary B. Williams, eighth; Blanche Bolles and Katherine Carr, tied for ninth; Emerson D. Bine, tenth; Margaret Haines, eleventh, and others.

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Rev. and Mrs. J. R. Marshall, of Fort Myers, Fla., formerly of this city, desire to express their appreciation through The Star for the kind words, friendly letters, post cards and telegrams, valuable presents and beautiful flowers, received by them from their many friends on the occasion of their golden wedding anniversary celebration on the 14th inst. Many other Wilmington friends will join in extending this venerable couple happiest felicitations upon the happy occasion in their lives.

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NORTH CAROLINA SOROSIS CELEBRATES 20TH ANNIVERSARY

Under the auspices of the Literature Department, North Carolina Sorosis celebrated the 20th anniversary of its founding on Thursday afternoon. The affair was in the nature of a combined birthday anniversary and Christmas celebration. The club rooms were elaborately decorated with bamboo, mistletoe and holly with red candles to give a soft glow.

An interesting summary of the work of the club since its organization in 1895 was given by the president, Miss Margaret Gibson. Notable among its achievements in the past was the starting of the public library and the introduction of domestic science into the public schools.

Members of the Music Department gave a chorus of three enjoyable old carols appropriate to the holiday season. Two Christmas stories were read. The first by Miss McKoy, was O. Henry's, "The Gifts of Magic," and the second, by Miss Wessell, was "The Christmas Rose."

The programme was concluded by a few delightful retrospective remarks by Mrs. Andrew J. Howell, first president of Sorosis, who presided at the ceremony of cutting the birthday cake, which, with dainty sandwiches and tea, formed the refreshments served.

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QUIET BUT VERY PRETTY WEDDING AT TABOR, N. C.

Tabor, N. C., Dec. 17.—A beautiful but quiet home wedding was solemnized Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the beautiful country home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Butler, of Pireway, N. C., when their daughter, Miss Stella Clyde, became the birde of Mr. Frank Reece Manahan, of Camden, Del. The parlor was beautiful in its decoration of holly, mistletoe and bamboo, a color scheme of green and white being carried out. Preceding the ceremony Miss Lorena Newton, of Bennettsville, S. C., played several selections on the piano and then to the strains of Mendelssohn's Wedding March the bride and groom entered unattended and stood in front of a beautiful, improvised altar of holly and mistletoe, where the vows were taken. During the ceremony Miss Newton played softly "To a Wild Rose," by McDowell.

Rev. J. J. Jones, the bride's pastor, officiating, used the impressive ring ceremony which made them man and wife.

The bride was lovely in a gown of white crepe meteor with bodice of princess lace, trimmed in fur, rhinestones and pearls. The veil was held in place by a wreath of orange blossoms, and she carried bride's roses showered with lilies of the valley. The groom wore the conventional black.

Immediately after the ceremony the bride repaired to her chamber where she hurriedly changed her costume to a lovely going-away suit of "African Brown," with bronze shoes, hat and gloves to match. They left by automobile for Mt. Tabor where they boarded the 4 o'clock train for their home in the north. On their way they will stop in Washington, Baltimore and Philadelphia.

The bride is the admired daughter of ex-Sheriff Butler, of Columbus county, while the groom is a popular young business man, of Camden, Del., being a member of the firm of Speal & Manahan.

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SADLER-POWELL WEDDING AT WHITEVILLE BEAUTIFUL AFFAIR

Whiteville, N. C., Dec. 17.—A wedding of marked beauty and simplicity, and of much interest to a wide circle of friends throughout the State, was solemnized at "Edgewood," the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Franklin Powell, Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, when their daughter, Miss Lucy Beers Powell, became the bride of Dr. Ralph Colvert Sadler. The ceremony was impressively performed by Rev. Mr. Moore, of the Presbyterian church, in the presence of a large number of relatives and intimate friends of the contracting parties, and took place in the east parlor, where an improvised altar was arranged of palms and ferns, interspersed with white carnations and lighted candles. To the strains of Mendelssohn's Wedding March, rendered by Mrs. Joseph A. Brown, of Chadbourn, the wedding party entered in the following order:

First, the officiating minister took his place in front of the altar, followed by the little flower girls, Etta Hamilton Powell and Elizabeth Powell, dainty and fairy-like in white accordeon pleated chiffon with pearl trimmings, carrying baskets of pink rosebuds and smilax. They were followed by the ringbearer, Master Sadler Hayes, of Charlotte, handsome in a suit of black velvet, carrying the ring in the heart of an orchid. Next came the dame of honor, Mrs. Thomas Clarence Johnson, of Lumberton, sister of the bride, handsomely gowned in sapphire velvet, with court train and trimmings of jet. She wore a black picture hat, and carried white roses. Then came the maid of honor, Miss Mattie Lou Anderson, of Fayetteville, gowned in white embroidered net, with tulle trimmings and white picture hat, carrying pink La France roses. The bride entered on the arm of her father, and was met at the altar by the groom and his best man, Mr. Alex Powell, Jr. The bride wore a going-away suit of dark blue cloth with trimmings of beaver, with hat and gloves to match, and carried a bouquet of violets and ferns with orchids.

During the ceremony, "O, Perfect Day" was softly played.

The bride is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Franklin Powell, of Whiteville, a young woman whose charming personality has won for her a host of friends throughout this and adjoining states. The groom is a prominent young physician, a native of Charlotte, but located here two years ago for the practice of his profession. He is held in high esteem by a wide circle of friends. The beautiful array of wedding gifts amply attest the popularity of this young couple.

A reception followed the wedding, after which Dr. and Mrs. Sadler left on the evening train for a bridal trip North. Out-of-town guests present for the wedding were: Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Powell, Oxford; Dr. and Mrs. T. C. Johnson, Dr. N. A. Thompson and Mrs. J. R. Poole, Lumberton; Miss Mattie Lou Anderson, Fayetteville; Mrs. J. A. Brown, Chadbourn; Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Wright and Mr. and Mrs. Turner, Boardman; Mrs. Sadler and Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Hayes and Master Sadler Hayes, Charlotte.

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MISS JESSIE BUSH BRIDE OF MR. MYRTLE H. COX

The marriage of Mr. Myrtle H. Cox, who until a few months ago was associated with Dr. T. F. Costner in the management of the Woodall & Sheppard Drug Company in Wilmington, to Miss Jessie Bush, of Charlotte, will be of interest to many friends in this city. The following account of the wedding is from yesterday's Charlotte Observer:

"A wedding marked by beauty and simplicity was that of Miss Jessie Bush and Mr. Myrtle H. Cox, the latter of Asheville, which took place last evening at 8:30 o'clock at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Blackwelder, with whom the bride made her home, on East Fifth street, Rev. E. L. Bain, pastor of Tryon Street Methodist church, officiated.

"The vows were spoken in the parlor in front of an improvised altar of white and trailing vines. The altar was lighted with white tapers set in crystal candlesticks and arranged with white vases of while carnations and asparagus ferns. The aisle leading to the altar was carpeted in white and on either side were pedestals of white entwined with ivy and on top of each rested a potted fern. The chandelier was entwined with ivy and the lights covered with white.

"Mrs. John C. Watson presided at the piano and when she sounded the notes of the Bridal Chorus from 'Lohengrin' the minister, Rev. E. L. Bain, entered. Miss Fannie Bush, pretty sister of the bride and her only attendant, entered next. She was gowned in light blue charmeuse with net overdress and carried an armful of pink Killarney roses and maiden hair ferns. The bride and bridegroom entered together. The bride was beautiful in a gown of white Georgette crepe trimmed in Princess lace and pearls, worn short with tulle veil coronet effect and held in place by orange blossoms falling to the bottom of the skirt. She carried a shower of bride roses and lilies of the valley. The ring ceremony was used and when they received the blessing they knelt on a white satin pillow.

"Mr. and Mrs. Blackwelder entertained at a delightful reception in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Cox. Others receiving besides the bridal party were Miss Mary Wilson and Miss Janie Matthews, who received in the hall. Miss Flora Spencer, who kept the register, and Misses Louise Edwards, Mary Harris, Annie Maxwell and Carrie Springs, who assisted in serving. The wedding and reception were attended by 50 or more guests.

"The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Bush, of Lenoir, and has made her home in this city for the past eight years. Her younger sister, Miss Fannie Bush, joined her here recently. She was connected with Stone & Barringer Co. for a number of years and for the past several years has been the efficient and popular stenographer for the Maryland Casualty Company. Mrs. Cox is a strikingly pretty young woman with brown eyes and hair and beautiful coloring. She has a winning personality and is admired by a wide circle of friends. She was a valuable member of the Sigma Theta class at Tryon Street Methodist Sunday school. The members of the class were present including Mrs. J. C. Watson, who rendered the bridal music.

"Mr. Cox is a native of Wadesboro and is well known in this section of the State. He was formerly associated with Dr. T. F. Costner in the drug business in this city and later in Wilmington. Recently Mr. Cox moved to Asheville, where he is connected with Carmichael Pharmacy. He is a druggist of wide experience and has achieved success. Mr. Cox is a splendid young man and is held in high regard by a host of friends throughout the State.

"Mr. and Mrs. Cox left last night for their future home in Asheville. The bride wore a traveling suit of midnight blue cloth with hat to match trimmed in goura."

Pension Money is Here.

Major W. N. Harriss, clerk of Superior Court, sent out yesterday the pension checks for Confederate soldiers and their widows, the money having been received from the State this week. The total amount of money for this county is $3,964. There are 123 persons in the county who receive pensions.

Three dozen eggs, $1.00; three pounds Catawba Butter, $1.00. New Way Market. (Advertisement.)

PRESENT PASTOR WITH GIFTS

Rev. J. D. Bundy Pleasantly Remembered by Congregation on Eve of His Departure.

Rev. J. D. Bundy, who leaves today for Weldon to assume the presiding eldership of the Warrenton district of the North Carolina Conference after having served three years as the pastor of Grace Methodist church, was very pleasantly surprised last evening when a large delegation of members of his former congregation called at the parsonage, No. 401 North Second street, and presented him with a handsomely engraved silver pitcher and a traveling suit case as a token of their appreciation of the splendid service he has rendered as their pastor.

Mr. Roger Moore was spokesman for the delegation and in presenting the gifts expressed regret that Mr. Bundy was to leave the city and extended t him the best wishes f his former parishoners as he enters upon a new field of labor. Mr. Bundy in accepting the gifts told of the joy it had been to him to serve as pastor of the church and declared that he should always remember his stay in Wilmington with the greatest pleasure.

Prior to the visit of the delegation representing the members of the congregation, Mr. Bundy had been presented with a beautiful watch charm by the Epworth League of the church at the regular meeting last night. This gift was presented by the president of the league, who spoke especially of the keen interest that Mr. Bundy had shown in this organization of young people.

Mr. Bundy will return to the city next week for a short visit. His family will leave today and will visit relatives before going to Weldon, where they will reside.

Rev. M. T. Plyler, who succeeds Mr. Bunday as pastor of Grace church, will arrive from Raleigh this morning and will preach his first sermon tomorrow.

Rev. J. H. Shore, the new pastor of Fifth Avenue Methodist church, arrived last night and is a guest at the home of Mrs. M. J. Fowler, No. 515 Nun street. His family will not come until later. An informal entertainment was given in his honor last evening at Mrs. Fowler's home and quite a number of the members of the church were present to meet their new pastor.

Rev. T. G. Vickers, retiring pastor of Bladen Street Methodist church, will go to Southport today and will preach his first sermon there tomorrow. He will not move his family down until later. Rev. J. P. Pate, who succeds him at Bladen Street, will probably preach his first sermon there tomorrow.

OPENING OF SEASON.

Two Fast and Interesting Games of Basketball at Y. M. C. A.

The third annual Y. M. C. A. commercial league opened last night with two fast and snappy games, real midseason playing was pulled off and the interest was intense until the end. The opening game was Jacobi, K. N. Davis, captain, and the City Laundry, Milton Justice, captain. The score at the end of the first half stood 9 to 4 in favor of the washers, and at the end and all through the last half of play they were able to keep the dust in the Hardware men's eyes, so that at the end of the game the score showed 23 to 14 in favor of the Washers. Farmer was the big scoring man for City Laundry with Justice a close second. Farmer scored 12 points and Justice 9. Davis, Seitters and Lewis were the stars for the Hardware men.

The line-up for the first game was as follows: City Laundry—Forwards, Justice and Whitaker; guards, Farmer and Walker; center, Bagley. Jacobi—Forwards, Davis and Bowes; guards, Seitters and LeGwin; center, Lewis.

The second game between National Woolen Mills and the Elvington & Mintz teams started with a rush and at the end of the first half the score was in favor of the Medicine men, they leading by eight points. Little Jimmie Applewhite was the heavy man and threw three baskets in the first half and Munroe McFadyen and Stein each added on thrown basket, counting two points, each making a total of 12 points for their half. There was some very fast, snappy pass work and plays pulled off and it reminded one of the old days when the championships were being played off. At the end of the game the score stood 21 to 12 in favor of the Medicine men.

The line-up for the second game was as follows: National Woolen Mills—Forwards, LeGwin and A. Walker; guards, Kelly and Rennie; center, Rhodes. Elvington & Mintz—Forwards, Applewhite and Wm. Walker; guards, Stein and McFadyen; center, Munroe.

Owing to the fact that next Friday being Christmas Eve, no games are scheduled, but on New Year's Eve the regular two games will be played and the public is cordially invited to witness the games.

NEW ORDER PICTURES

Howard & Wells Start Series of Rare Scenic Productions.

Circulating over America there are a few motion picture productions of an order that the cost has put it out of the reach of most cities the size of Wilmington to have. Messrs. Howard & Wells have started a series of these pictures, opening yesterday afternoon and evening at the Victoria with "Cabiria," a picture that has been shown at a large number of the best theatres in the big cities of America.

In the summer of 1914, "Cabiria" was sent on a western tour, scarcely being called for an engagement in towns of less than 100,000 population, and then heralded for days in advance, for only one night in the best theatres in the cities in which it was shown, it being made the dominant attraction of the cities at the time it appeared.

There was a good attendance, both matinee and evening yesterday, as Wilmington people are taking interest in seeing these high class pictures.

FUNERAL OF MRS. SMITH

Services Held at Residence of Daughter, Mrs. E. W. Manning.

Attended by a large number of sorrowing friends, the funeral of Mrs. Julia Smith, whose death occurred Wednesday night, was conducted from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. E. W. Manning, No. 225 South Front street, yesterday morning at 8:30 o'clock. The remains were taken on the steamer Wilmington to Southport for interment.

PERSONALS.

—Mr. J. A. Suggs, of Yorick, Bladen county, is among the holiday business visitors in the city

PRESENTATION OF FOUNTAIN

Gift of School Children Formally Turned Over to City With Appropriate Exercises.

The handsome drinking fountain for animals, recently erected at Fourteenth and Market streets, which was given to the school children of Wilmington by Miss Annie M. Dore, of Arlington, Mass., was formally presented by them to the city with appropriate exercises yesterday at noon. The exercises were held at the fountain and were attended by a large number of school children and citizens of the city.

Mr. John J. Blair, superintendent of the city schools, presided at the exercises and introduced representatives of the schools, who responded as follows: High School, Union, Hemenway, William Hooper, Isaac Bear and Cornelius Harnett. Mayor Moore accepted the fountain in behalf of the city.

In addition to the principals and representatives from the different schools a number of spectators were present at the exercises. One of the specially invited guests, Mr. A. S. Heide, formerly president of the Wilmington S. P. C. A., was unable to be present on account of illness. Through the kindness of Mr. Sam Bear, Jr., and Mr. Heyer the children from the Union, Hemenway and Cornelius Harnett schools were taken over in automobiles. Two of the high school representatives, Mamie James Fennell and Myrtle Rhodes, were mounted on their horses, and after the ceremony rode to the fountain and in the presence of the children permitted the horses to drink.

While one of the boys was speaking, a little dog stood immediately in front and with his head in the air gave utterance to a series of whines and barks, which greatly disturbed the speaker. Mayor Moore in his speech of acceptance referred to this and declared that if dog language could be understood those present would know that he was expressing the thanks of the dogs of the city for the opportunity given them to quench their thirst, a provision having been made in the construction of the fountain for the dogs and the birds. All were greatly pleased with the fountain, especially with the fact that it was supplied with individual bowls for the stock.

The following were the representatives from the different schools: Howard Hanby, Mamie James Fennell, Myrtle Rhodes represented the High school, Howard Hanby being the speaker, and his subject "The Horse's Prayer"; Union was represented by Fred Renneker, Donald MacRae, Henry Johnston and Minnie Clayton, Fred Renneker being the speaker, and his subject "Kindness of Heart"; May Grant, Winfield Morris, Frederick Dick and Emily Eve Jewett represented the Hemenway, May Grant being the speaker and her subject "This Fountain as a Reminder"; Howard Pinner, Julius Taylor, Junior Sidbury, Olive Brown represented the William Hooper, and short speeches were made by three of them; Samuel Ruark and Ruth Karess represented the Isaac Bear, and Samuel Ruark made the speech, his subject being "Kindness to Animals"; Edward Ennett and Naomi Sutton represented the Cornelius Harnett and Edward Ennett made the speech, his subject being "A Bit of Local History."

After the speeches by the representatives of the schools, Superintendent Blair made the formal presentation in behalf of the schools. In presenting the fountain to the city, he declared that the children had rendered a public service to dumb animals, In beautifying the city and in addition to those worthy purposes had committed 3,000 school children to the great idea of kindness to dumb animals. Mr. Blair pointed out that this installation of this fountain will be the means of securing another for the city as the one formerly located at Fourteenth and Market has been placed at the intersection of Fourth and Meares.

Following Mr. Blair's address, Mayor Moore accepted the gift in behalf of the city, expressing his sincere and cordial appreciation for the donation and assuring the children that it would stand as a splendid monument to their interest.

Superintendent Blair then had the children read in concert the inscription on the fountain, which is as follows:

The School Children of Wilmington
Through the Generosity of
Miss Annie M. Dore, Arlington, Mass.
Present This Fountain to
the City MCMXV

The exercises closed with the distribution of souvenirs to the gathering.

LOCAL DOTS.

—Suit was started in Superior Court yesterday by W. J. Orr against the Atlantic Coast Line. He is represented by Woodus Kellum and P. D. Satchwell, Esqs., but no complaint has yet been filed.

—John Larkins, colored, is in jail because of failure to pay the costs on a charge of assaulting another negro. He was arrested Thursday afternoon by County Officer H. Mack Godwin and was given a hearing before Justice Harriss yesterday morning.

—J. Benjamin Hill, a colored plumber, will have a hearing before Justice Harriss this morning on a charge of larceny by trick. Phoebe Merritt, a colored woman, alleges that she paid him $15 to install some plumbing which she claims he failed to do. He gave bond in the sum of $100 following his arrest by County Officer H. Mack Godwin.

FUNERAL OF MRS. FULCHER

Services Conducted From Residence of Daughter Yesterday.

The funeral of Mrs. Nancy Fulcher, whose death occurred Thursday night, was conducted yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. E. H. Hardison, No. 302 North Second street, by Rev. T. G. Vickers, assisted by Rev. L. E. Thompson. The remains were taken on the afternoon train to Newbern and from there will be carried to her old home in Famlico county.

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. E. deF. Heald, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church.

Speak Thief Enters Home.

Mr. J. A. Fettel, who lives at No. 307 North Sixth street, stated last night that yesterday morning while his wife and daughter were engaged in the rear of his home in hanging out some clothes, a sneak thief entered the house by cutting a hole through the screen at the front door so as to unfasten the hook, and going into one of the rooms took a miniature savings bank containing between $8 and $9. Mr. Fettel wishes to inform the thief that he can find a key for the bank by calling at one of the well known banks in the city, the name of which is on the safe.

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Braves	3	8	.273
Seminoles	3	8	.273

Results Last Night.

Dodgers 27, Reds 23.

Braves 30, Braves 20.

The Dodgers by defeating the Reds by a score of 27 to 23 at the Boys' Brigade last night cinched the first series although they have still another game to play. For the first time this season the Braves were victorious over the Seminoles, the score being 30 to 20. Captain Davis was the big star for the Dodgers. The Reds were handicapped by the failure of one of their men to show up and the disqualifying of another. The Braves walked all over the Seminoles and although they had a man ruled out in the last half continued with four men and beat their opponents with ease.

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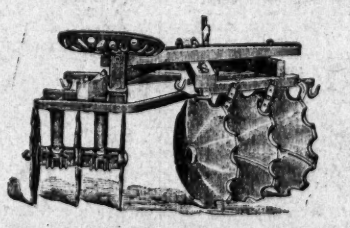

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

COTTON PRICES GO LOWER

Market Weak and Unsettled With March Contracts Closing at 12c —Spot Drops to 11.95.

New York, Dec. 17.—The cotton market was weak and unsettled today with prices making new low ground for the movement under renewed liquidation. March contracts sold off to 11.98, or a little more than a cent a pound under the high level of last week and closed at 12c, with the general list closing barely steady at a net loss of 13 to 22 points.

Relatively easy Liverpool cables were followed by an opening decline of 1 to 4 points and the market sold 15 to 16 points net lower before noon. The failure of further Liverpool buying here to undo straddles, notwithstanding the still wider difference, seemed a disappointment to recent local buyers for long account and it also appeared that long cotton carried over the break of last Monday was coming out on the decline, which uncovered stop orders. After their execution, the market rallied 8 or 10 points from the lowest o ncovering and trade buying, but there was no general or aggressive support and prices weakened again during the afternoon under renewed commission house liquidation which seemed to come from Southern and Western as well as from local sources. This break carried January off to 11.70, May to 12.21 and July to 12.33 in the late trading or about 21 to 23 points net lower. Liquidation of January contracts in anticipation of notices a week from next Monday seemed to unsettle the general list, while selling May also have been encouraged to some extent by the census report showing that 381,927 bales of linters had been obtained prior to December 1 this year against 341,142 last season although the crush of cotton seed was only 1,981,140 tons against 2,473,931 last year. Uneasiness over the international situation was probably increased somewhat by reports that another steamer had been sunk in the Mediterranean and part of the commission house selling was attributed to a disposition to even up accounts before the holidays.

The Indian cotton acreage planted to October 1 is estimated at 27 per cent. less than last year.

Cotton closed barely steady.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
December	12.00	.....	.....	.....
January	11.89	11.91	11.70	11.71
March	12.16	12.18	11.98	12.00
May	12.42	12.43	12.21	12.23
July	12.54	12.55	12.33	12.35
October	12.18	12.20	12.05	12.06

Spot cotton quiet; middling uplands 11.95; no sales.

PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans—Middling 11.82; receipts 11,527; sales 1,065; stock 375,847.

Galveston—Middling 12; receipts 11,371; exports 9,930; sales 339; stock 324,809.

Mobile—Middling 11.50; receipts 184; stock 27,707.

Savannah—Middling 12; receipts 3,968; sales 235; stock 225,910.

Charleston—Middling 12; receipts 1,749; stock 108,051.

Wilmington—Receipts 250; stock 51,533.

Norfolk—Middling 11.38; receipts 4,265; sales 538; stock 130,650.

Baltimore—Receipts 1,429; stock 5,370.

Boston—Middling 12.20; receipts 349; exports 225; stock 10,711.

Philadelphia—Middling 12.20; Receipts 9; stock 3,383.

New York—Middling 11.95; receipts 192; stock 311,838.

Minor Ports—Receipts 11,077; exports 4,700; stock 54,274.

Total today—Receipts 46,370; exports 14,855; stock 1,640,083.

Total for week—Receipts 264,688; exports 154,918.

Total for season—Receipts 3,734,546; exports 2,103,697.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Middling 11.95; receipts 10,622; shipments 8,697; sales 1,594; stock 229,529.

Memphis—Middling 12.12; receipts 8,788; shipments 5,860; sales 600; stock 330,004.

Augusta—Middling 11.50; receipts 1,652; shipments 1,237; sales 1,320; stock 205,952.

St. Louis—Middling 12¼; receipts 8,956; shipments 8,619; stock 14,415.

Cincinnati—Receipts 1,107; shipments 1,647; stock 20,967.

Little Rock—Middling 12.13; receipts 1,448; shipments 527; sales 527; stock 47,269.

Dallas—Middling 11.40.

Montgomery—Middling 11.38; sales 114.

Total today—Receipts 32,573; shipments 26,587; stock 848,136.

COTTON SEED CONSUMPTION

Linters Obtained Up to December 1 —Reports by States.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Cotton seed crushed from the 1915 crop to December 1, amounted to 1,981,140 tons against 2,473,931 tons December 1 last year, the Census Bureau today announced. Linters obtained to December 1 amounted to 381,927 bales, against 341,142 bales last year to December 1.

Seed crushed and linters obtained, by states, follows:

State.	Seed.	Linters.
Alabama	154,760	30,617
Arkansas	110,067	20,080
Florida	13,007	1,834
Georgia	361,000	71,979
Louisiana	70,003	14,130
Mississippi	178,770	38,512
Missouri	9,429	2,002
North Carolina	118,695	19,976
Oklahoma	81,179	15,214
South Carolina	160,179	26,749
Tennessee	90,859	19,213
Texas	612,191	119,524
All other states	21,002	4,497

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Dec. 17.—Cotton easier; good middling 7.84; middling 7.47; low middling 7.03. Sales 7,000; for speculation and export 1,000; receipts 18,000.

Futures easy: December 7.21; December and January 7.21; January and February 7.21; February and March [illegible]; March and April 7.20; April and May [illegible]; May and June 7.14; June and July [illegible]; July and August 7.07½; August and September 6.93; September and October 6.79½; October and November 6.7[illegible].

Paper bought, when left to fly, [illegible] towards the sky.

Temper is the result of uncontrolled [illegible].

WEEKLY REVIEW OF COTTON

Market Very Nervous and Unsettled Since Publication of the Government's Crop Estimate.

New York, Dec. 17.—The cotton market has been very nervous and unsettled since the publication of the government's crop estimate. This official view of the yield was considered in line with bullish expectations, but failed to create any aggressive buying power and the market weakened under general realizing or liquidation. After a break of about 95 points, the market was steadied by an active demand form Liverpool straddle shorts, whose operations were said to show them very attractive profits, but rallies of 25 to 40 points were followed by renewed weakness and the market was lower again today with March contracts selling at 11.98 or $5.10 per bale below the high price touched immediately after the publication of the ginning report last week. The continued light export movement and talk of full ginning returns for the first December period doubtless contributed to the nervousness of sentiment during the progress of the decline, while there also seemed to be less optimisism with reference to peace prospects and more or less uneasiness over inatrnational politics. Reports of relatively steady Southern spot markets, particularly in the interior and the bullish view of the domestic goods market encouraged the rallies during the middle of the week while there was probably some buying on the census supply and distribution figures showing a consumption of 592,795 bales, including linters, in this country during November. The statement was considered in line with estimates placing domestic requirements at about seven million bales including linters, and parts of the demand on declines has been attributed to trade interests against price fixing by spinners. With further advances reported in ocean freight rates, however, the demand from Liverpool seemed to be less active toward the close of the week and the unfavorable view of the export situation was strengthened by reports that British shippings interests had been officially instructed that their steamers from Southwestern ports should carry at least 50 per cent. of grain in their cargoes, thus curtailing the freight room available for cotton. It is reported that the official estimate of the area planted to cotton in India, up to October 1, shows a decrease of 27 per cent., as compared with last year.

MARINE.

Arrived.

Str. Chippewa, Maguire, Gergetown, C. J. Becker, agent.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Nicaria (Ger.). 3,289 tons, Hollasch, Heide & Co.

Str. Keil (Ger.). 2,872 tons, Lemke, Heide & Co.

Str. Elsiston (Br.), 1,884 tons, Niven, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

(Quoted Daily by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 17.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—52c.

ROSIN—Large, $5.05; small, $4.95.

TAR—$2.20-9c.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—$3.75, $3.75, $2.75.

Quotation same day last year—Spirits turpentine, 43. Rosin, $3.20. Tar, $2.00-8½. Crude Turpentine, firm, $3.25, $3.25, $2.25.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Tureptneine	10
Rosin	264
Tar	229
Crude Turpentine	37

Receipts — Same day last year: Spirits turpentine, 22 casks; rosin, 169 barrels; tar, 173 barrels; crude turpentine, 13 barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Nominal. Quotations same day last year, 7c.

Receipts—202 bales; same day last year, 1,407 bales.

Total receipts since August 1st, to date, 133,634 bales.

Total receipts to same date last year, 83,218 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 17, 1915.

Atlantic Coast Line—170 bales cotton; 324 barrels rosin; 88 barrels tar; 9 barrels crude turpentine.

Seaboard Air Line—32 bales cotton.

Str. Whitlock—36 barrels tar; 24 barrels crude turpentine.

Str. Mary Lee—10 casks spirits turpentine; 40 barrels rosin; 4 barrels tar.

Str. Thelma—56 barrels tar.

Str. Annie B.—15 barrels tar.

By River—4 barrels crude turpentine.

Total—202 bales cotton; 10 casks spirits turpentine; 264 barrels rosin; 229 barrels tar; 37 barrels crude turpentine.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Dec. 17.)

SWEET POTATOES—Yams, 40c. to 45c. per bushel.

IRISH POTATOES—80c to 90c.

CORN—$1.75 per sack.

BEEF—Native dressed, 7@9c.; good demand.

PORK—Small, 10@11c. per pound.

SHEEP—Gross: Old sheep, 3@4c.; lambs, 3@5c. lb.

WOOL—Burry, 19 to 25c.; black wool, 17 to 20c; first class white wool, 27c.

HIDES—Green salt, 12@13c.; dry flint, 17@20c. per lb.; good demand.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON — Old hams, 30c.; sides and shoulders, 16c. per lb. Good demand.

BEESWAX—Firm, 28c. per lb.; good demand.

POULTRY—Chickens, grown, 45c to 50c.; spring, 20c to 35c. head. Geese, 55c. to 60c. per head. Ducks, 35c. to 60c. owing to quality. Turkeys, 15c to 18c. lb., alive; 20c to 22c., dressed.

EGGS—27c to 28c.

PROVISIONS MARKET.

New York, Dec. 17.—Raw sugar firm; centrifugal 4.77; molasses 4.00; refined steady.

Butter and Cheese—Firm.

Coffee—Spot quiet; Rio 7s, 7¾; Santos 4s, 9 cents.

STOCKS AGAIN DEPRESSED

Due Principally to American-Austrian Relations—Wars and Oils Recover Losses—Rails Heavy.

New York, Dec. 17.—The market was again under the spell of depression during much of today's session, largely if not wholly in consequence of the international situation. Aggressive tactics were temporarily abandoned by the bears and such constructive forces as may have existed were held in restraint, pending a more definite knowledge or outcome of relations between Washington and Vienna.

Foreign selling continued as an aftermath of the British government's plan to mobilize American securities, but offerings from such sources were not in sufficient volume materially to affect quoted values.

Exchange on leading European centers was more than ordinarily conflicting.

Irregular price-changes were registered in the first hour, war issues and oils recovering 1 to 4 points over yesterday's final figures, while rails moved almost without definite trend. Later the latter group became moderately heavy, Canadian Pacific, Erie and Chesapeake and Ohio being most conspicuous. In the final hour the list hardened in almost all quarters with particular strength in American Smelting, Texas Company and Consolidated Gas.

Anglo-French fives were more active ranging between 94 5-8 and 95. Bonds in general were lower and inactive. Total sales par value aggregated $4,140,000.

United States bonds unchanged on call.

New York Stock List.

Allis Chalmers	31¾
American Beet Sugar	69½
American Can	59¾
American Car & Foundry	78¾
American Cities pfd	46
American Cotton Oil	55
American Locomotive	68½
American Smelting	100¾
American Sugar	115⅜
American Tel & Tel.	128½
American Tobacco	205½
Anaconda Copper	85⅝
Atchison	105⅝
Atlantic Coast Line	114
Baldwin Locomotive	117
Baltimore & Ohio.	92⅛
Bethlehem Steel	479
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	88⅛
Canadian Pacific	179⅝
Central Leather	53
Chesapeake & Ohio	61½
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	92½
Chicago, R. I. & Pac. Ry.	15⅞
Consolidated Gas	145⅞
Crucible Steel	73
Erie	41½
General Electric	173⅜
General Motors	500
Great Northern pfd	124⅜
Illinois Central	107
Interborough Consol. Corp.	21⅜
Kansas City Southern	30⅝
Lehigh Valley	81⅛
Louisville & Nashville	127
Liggett & Myers	250
Lorillard Co.	180
Missouri, Kansas & Texas, pfd.	15½
Mexican Petroleum	96
National Lead	62¾
New York Central	105¼
N. Y., N. H. & Hartford	73
Norfolk & Western	120⅝
Northern Pacific	115⅝
Pennsylvania	59
Reading	80⅝
Republic Iron & Steel	53⅞
Rep. Iron & Steel pfd	110
Seaboard Air Line	17½
Seaboard Air Line pfd	39½
Sloss Shef. Steel & Iron	62¾
Studebaker Corporation	168⅜
Southern Pacific	100¼
Southern Railway	23¾
Southern Railway pfd	60⅝
Tennessee Copper	57
Texas Co.	229½
Texas & Pacific	14½
Union Pacific	136⅜
United States Rubber	53⅝
United States Steel	85½
United States Steel pfd	116⅝
Utah Copper	78⅜
Virginia Caro. Chem.	45⅝
Western Union	88½
Westinghouse Electric	68⅝
Great Northern Ore	48¾
Va. I. C. & C.	62
Wabash B. W.	28¾
Missouri Pacific	3½
United Fruit	148¼

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Dec. 17—North Carolina Peanuts—New crop, market lower. Fancy hand-picked, 80c.; No. 1, machine picked, 75c. per bushel.

Virginia Peanuts—New crop, steady. Jumbos, 66c.; fancy hand-picked, 55c.; No. 1, machine-picked, 50c. per bushel.

Spanish Peanuts—New crop, steady; No. 1, small, machine-picked, 85c.; Jumbos, 80c. per bushel.

Receipts—Light.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., Dec. 17.—Spanish: Farmers' stock: Market, firm. New peanuts, dry and clean, $1.17½ per bu.; new, green and dirty, 60c. to 75c. per bu.

Virginias—Farmers' stock: New fancy Jumbo, 3¼c. to 3¾c. per lb.; new, extra prime, 3¼c. per lb.; new prime, 3c. per lb.; new, shelling stock, 2¼c. to 2¾c. per lb.

COTTON SEED OIL.

New York, Dec. 17.—While the spot situation showed steadiness forward deliveries in cotton seed oil were lower under scattered liquidation on the weakness in lard and cotton and lack of outside support. December closed unchanged and other positions 7 to 10 points net lower. Total sales 8,800.

The market closed strong. Spot 8.32 bid; January 8.31 to 8.35; February 8.30 to 8.35; March 8.30 to 8.32; April 8.32 to 8.38; May 8.41 to 8.43; June 8.45 to 8.47; July 8.51 to 8.52; December 8.[illegible] to 8.45.

THE FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York, Dec. 17.—Mercantile paper 3 to 3½; sterling 60 day bills 4.6750; demand [illegible]; cables 4.7[illegible]. Bar silver [illegible]. Mexican dollars [illegible]. Government bonds steady. Railroad bonds heavy. Time loans steady; 60 and 90 days [illegible] to 2½; six months 2¾ to 3. Call money steady; ruling rate 2[illegible].

THE WEATHER

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

December 18, 1915.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M., yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 55 degrees; at 8 P. M., 61 degrees; maximum, 71 degrees; minimum, 53 degrees; mean, 62 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00 inch; rainfall for the month, to date, .77 inch.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M. yesterday, 6 feet.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina: Rain and Colder Saturday.

STORM WARNING.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 17.—Hoist southwest storm warning 10 P. M., Jacksonville to Wilmington and southeast storm warning Cape Hatteras to Boston. Storm over Tennessee increasing in intensity and moving northeast. Strong southerly winds will shift to westerly Saturday. BOWIE.

The Port Calendar, Dec. 18, 1915.

Sun rises	7:12 A. M.
Sun sets	5:06 P. M.
Day's length	9 hrs. 54 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water. A.M.	P.M.	Low water. A.M.	P.M.
Wilmington	7:45	7:58	2:22	3:04
Southport	5:47	5:57	11:57	11:53
Masonboro Inlet	5:36	5:46	11:37	11:33

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

December 17, 1915.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature: Highest today.	Lowest Last night.	Precipitation at 8 p.m.
Abilene	clear	52	28	.0
Asheville	rain	54	48	.54
Atlanta	rain	62	50	2.46
Augusta	cldy	72	48	.0
Baltimore	rain	38	..	.28
Birmingham	rain	66	64	1.34
Boston	rain	36	24	.0
Charleston	cldy	68	50	.0
Charlotte	rain	56	34	.04
Chicago	cldy	34	32	.10
Galveston	clear	50	44	.58
Jaxville	pt cldy	76	58	.0
Memphis	cldy	44	44	.10
Mobile	rain	68	66	.74
Montgomery	rain	68	64	3.12
N. Orleans	rain	72	64	2.38
New York	rain	42	28	.14
Oklahoma	clear	40	20	.0
Palestine	clear	44	34	.26
Pittsburg	cldy	58	32	.70
Raleigh	cldy	64	32	.0
Savannah	cldy	72	58	.0
Shreveport	clear	40	36	.34
St. Louis	cldy	36	34	.01
Washington	cldy	38	30	.26

HESTER'S WEEKLY STATEMENT.

Comparisons are to actual dates, not to close of corresponding weeks. In thousands bales.

In sight for week, 497.

In sight same seven days last year, 658.

In sight for the month, 1,151.

In sight same date last year, 1,497.

In sight for season, 6,670.

In sight same date last year, 6,778.

Port receipts for season, 3,735.

Port receipts same date last year, 3,942.

Overland to Mills and Canada for season, 496.

Overland same date last year, 413.

Southern mill takings for season, 1,559.

Southern mill takings same date last year, 1,311.

Interior stocks in excess of August 1st, 880.

Interior stocks last year, 1,112.

Foreign exports for week, 157.

Foreign exports same seven days last year, 321.

Foreign exports for season, 2,103.

Foreign exports same date last year, 2,036.

Northern spinners' takings and Canada for week, 98.

Northern spinners' takings same seven days last year, 110.

Northern spinners takings for season, 1,170.

Northern spinners' takings to same date last year, 1,157.

Statement of World's Visible Supply.

Total visible this week, 5,802.

Total visible last week, 5,620.

Total visible same date last year, 5,372.

Of this the total American this week, 4,511.

Total American last week 4,371.

Total American last year 4,213.

All other kinds this week, 1,290.

All other kinds last week, 1,248.

All other kinds last year, 1,159.

Visible in the United States this week, 2,959.

Visible in the United States this date last year, 2,621.

Visible in other countries this week, 2,843.

Visible in other countries this date last year, 2,752.

BRADSTREET'S REVIEW

Business Activity Sustained Along Most Lines—Conditions.

New York, Dec. 17.—Bradstreet's tomorrow will say:

"Sustained activity in a majority of lines, with prospects of still greater growth, typify current trade and industrial conditions. Contrary to precedent the larger trades don't display the customary pre-holiday characteristics that usually prevail when the time for the taking of inventories arrives. True, there has been a lull in some sections, but by and large activity is so steadily maintained that salesmen are remaining on the road longer than usual at this season and most reports agree that wholesale as well as jobbing trade is of large volume.

"In addition Christmas shopping is in full swing, buying at many centers is the heaviest in years, regular retail trade in heavy wearing apparel is excellent, mail order houses are doing a record business, buying for future delivery is god industrial activity is especially noteworthy, labor is well employed at good wages, farmers, except in a few places, are prosperous, the week has witnessed further advances in prices for cereals, collections are good, bank clearings heavily exceed those of this time in 1913, money is in better demand and railway traffic is heavy.

"Re-orders for staples are such as to suggest that stocks had been starved, and that the new wave of prosperity has given so much of an impetus to final distribution that repeat orders keep coming in. Weekly bank clearings, $4,628,003,000."

SHARP BREAK IN WHEAT.

Quick Decline in Market Follows Government Crop Figures.

Chicago, Dec. 17.—Wheat prices broke sharply today after the government's crop figures were posted. The close was unsettled but ⅛ to 1⅛c net lower with December at 1.16½ and May at 1.17⅞ to 1.18. Corn finished ⅜ to 1⅛c down, and oats ⅜c to ½c. In provisions the outcome varied from the same as yesterday's close to 37½ decline.

Grain and provisions closed:

Wheat	Dec. 1.16½	May	1.17⅞
Corn	Dec. .70½	May	.72⅞
Oats	Dec. .42	May	.45⅝
Pork	Jan. 18.45	May	18.50
Lard	Jan. 9.57	May	9.87
Ribs	Jan. 9.70	May	10.10

Cash Grain—Wheat No. 2 red 1.20 to 1.22; No. 3 red 1.16 to 1.19½; No. 2 hard 1.17½ to 1.18½; No. 3 hard 1.11 to 1.13. Corn, No. 2 yellow nominal; No. 4 yellow, new, 68¾ to 69½; No. 4 white, new, 67½ to 69¼. Oats, No. 3 white 40¾ to 42; standard 43¾ to 43½.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

Selling Pressure Sends Prices 21 to 22 Points Lower.

New Orleans, Dec. 17.—The local cotton market was under selling pressure throughout the session today and closed at the lowest, a net loss of 21 to 22 points. There was much liquidation of long cotton and offerings of short cotton were in large volume. The market was the weakest in the early afternoon, when, according to floor comment, New York was a heavy seller here. The international political position was depclared the governing influence. The opening was steady and first prices were almost unchanged, compared with yesterday's close, but offerings increased immediately after the first call and the early trading saw a decline of 10 points. Toward noon the market was 13 to 14 points down. After a brief period of comparative steadiness and a reaction of half o dozen points, the market broke to new low levels and held its declining tendency to the close.

Although spots were unchanged here at 11.28 for middling, there were reports from scattered points in the interior that offerings were freer. This and the continued accumulation of stocks at the ports attracted bearish comment.

Cotton futures closed steady. Closing bid: January 11.56; March 11.83; May 12.12; July 12.25; October 11.92.

Spot quiet, unchanged. Sales on the spot 590 to arrive 4.85. Middling 11.87.

SAVANNAH NAVAL STORES.

Savannah, Dec. 17.—Turpentine 51½; sales 150; receipts 239; shipments 119; stock 16,299.

Rosin—Firm; sales 1,359; receipts 1,584; shipments 595; stock 72,879. Quote: A B, 5.00 to 5.17½; C D, 5.00 to 5.20; E, 5.15 tot 5.22½; F, 5.15 to 5.25; G, 5.25 to 5.27½; H, 5.30; I, 5.32½; to 5.35; K, 5.90; M, 6.20; N, 6.50; WG, 6.90 to 6.95; WW, 6.90 to 7.00.

Chicago, Dec. 17.—Hogs, weak; bulk 6.15 to 6.50; light 5.80 to 6.40; mixed 5.95 to 6.65; heavy 6.10 to 6.65; rough 6.10 to 6.25; pigs 4.50 to 5.90.

Cattle—Weak; native beef steers 5.85 to 11.00; western steers 6.25 to 8.25; cows and heifers 2.80 to 8.35; calves 6.65 to 10.00.

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DEPARTURES:	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS:
No. 90. 3:40 A.M. Monday morning only.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad.	No. 91. 1:15 A.M. Sunday morning (Saturday night) only.
No. 61. 5:30 A.M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, St. Petersburg, Ft. Myers, Columbia, and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia, open to recieve outbound passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M. and may be occupied, inbound, until 7:00 A. M.	No. 58. 11:59 P.M. Daily.
No. 64. 5:15 A.M. Tues., Thurs. and Sat. only.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate Stations.	No. 65. 6:15 P.M. Tues., Thurs. and Sat. only.
No. 48. 7:40 A.M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains with Pullman Service.	No. 49. 6:05 P.M. Daily.
No. 53. 8:45 A.M. Daily.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52. 8:00 P.M. Daily.
No. 62. 8:25 P.M. Daily.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 63. 12:50 P.M. Daily.
No. 66. 3:45 P.M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Florence, Columbia, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida points. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington, Augusta and Atlanta. Pullman Cars between Florence and Columbia.	No. 54. 12:50 P.M. Daily.
No. 59. 6:30 P.M. Tues., Thurs. and Sat only.	Fayetteville and Intermediate stations.	No. 60. 10:15 A.M. Tues., Thurs., Sat. only.
No. 42. 6:45 P. M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41. 9:50 A.M. Daily.

For folders, reservations, rates of fares, etc., call 'phone 160.

W. J. CRAIG, Passenger Traffic Manager. T. C. WHITE, General Passenger Agent. WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

In Effect November 15, 1915.

WINTER PARK, WRIGHTSVILLE WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH AND INTERMEDIATE POINTS

EASTBOUND			WESTBOUND		
Leave Front and for Winter Park	Leave Front and for Wrightsville	Leave... Front and for Beach	Leave Winter Park for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave Beach for Wilmington
.....	.....	.....	a6:26 A. M.	a6:15 A. M.	.....
a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a7:36 A. M.	a7:25 A. M.	.....
6:55 A. M.	6:55 A. M.	b6:55 A. M.	8:01 A. M.	7:50 A. M.	7:40 A. M.
a8:00 A. M.	a8:00 A. M.	.....	a8:41 A. M.	a8:30 A. M.	.....
8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	9:36 A. M.	9:25 A. M.	9:15 A. M.
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10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	11:06 A. M.	10:55 A. M.	10:45 A. M.
11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	12:36 P. M.	12:25 P. M.	12:15 P. M.
b1:00 P. M.	b1:00 P. M.	b1:00 P. M.	b2:06 P. M.	b1:55 P. M.	b1:45 P. M.
a1:10 P. M.	a1:10 P. M.	ae1:10 P. M.	a2:01 P. M.	a1:50 P. M.	af1:45 P. M.
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10:15 P. M.	10:15 P. M.	.....	10:56 P. M.	10:45 P. M.	.....
11:15 P. M.	11:15 P. M.	.....	11:56 P.M.	11:45 P. M.	.....

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Steamship Chippewa, Saturday, Dec. 18
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SEABOARD AIR LINE RAILWAY

The Progressive Railway of the South. Effective June 9th, 1915.

No. 13—4:00 P. M. THROUGH STEEL SLEEPER BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND ATLANTA — THROUGH PULLMAN PARLOR CAR BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND CHARLOTTE. Train for Lumberton, Maxton, Laurinburg, Charlotte and intermediate points, connecting at Hamlet for all points North, South and West.

No. 19—5:00 A. M.—THROUGH SLEEPING CAR BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND CHARLOTTE—Open at 10:00

FEDERAL LEAGUE NOT ENTIRELY IN HARMONY

Wants Provision to Protect Contracted Players.

Organized Baseball Magnates Believed to Be Willing Only to Take Over Such Players as Are Needed—Conference.

New York, Dec. 17.—The National Baseball Commission and Representatives of the Federal League were in conference here today to decide whether peace shall be declared in the ranks of organized baseball and if so the terms of the treaty. Power to conduct negotiations was delegated to the commission this afternoon by the National and American leagues.

The three members of the commission, Garry Herrman, of Cincinnati, President Tener, of the National League, and President Ban Johnson, of the American, went into conference with Federal League delegates soon after 9 o'clock. The sounds which emanated from the meeting room indicated that the conference was not entirely harmoniaus. Representatives of the minor organizations were called in apparently to state their views but were soon ushered out.

It was reported outside the conference room that the Federal League committee was not entirely satisfied with the conditions of the tentative agreement. The Federal League has under contract something like 150 players and it was said the independents were seeking to have the agreement contain a provision to protect these players. The organized baseball magnates were believed to be willing to take over only those players whom they can use, claiming the right to release the others.

Representatives of Baltimore Federal League club, it was learned tonight, were demanding the right to establish a major league club in that city. This was thought to be another cause of delay.

The conference ended at 11:45 and will be resumed tomorrow morning. It was stated unofficially that the point which caused a more or less scrimonious discussion was the demand of organized baseball that the Federals withdraw the suit now before Judge Landis.

PEACE SEEMS NEARER

Some of the Terms of Proposed Baseball Agreement Revealed

New York, Dec. 17.—Peace in organized baseball seemed nearer late tonight when a conference between the National Commission representing the National and American Leagues, and a committee from the Federal League adjourned. The chief point of discussion at the meeting was the legality of concluding an agreement before Judge Kenesaw M. Landis hands down a decision in the suit brought before him by the Federal League. Counsel for both sides gave assurances, however, that there were no legal obstacles in the way but advised that Judge Landis be consulted before a settlement is signed. While no official announcement was made the impression was given that if Judge Landis raises no barrier, all that will remain to be done will be to work out the details of a treaty which will put an end to the strife which has rent professional baseball.

Some of the terms of the peace plan, obtained tonight from an authoritative source, are:

Seventy-two players who now hold ironbound contracts with the Federal League are to be employed by organized baseball or paid in full. All other Federal League players to receive the usual, ten days' notice.

ENDORSE POLICIES OF THE PRESIDENT

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of societies for the benefit of American farmers.

The woman's auxiliary to the congress adopted resolutions favoring legislation to abolish child labor, compulsory education, factory inspection, minimum wages, maximum work hours in mines, factories and mercantile establishments employing women and chidren and co-operation by the auxiliary in the work of organizing state and county branches of the League to Enforce Peace.

NEW DRAINAGE ORGANIZATION

Southern States Drainage and Reclamation Association Formed.

Charleston, S. C., Dec. 17.—Southern State members of the National Drainage Congress, who have been meeting here during the convention of the Southern Commercial Congress, today organized the Southern States Drainage and Reclamation Association. E. J. Watson, of Columbia, S. C., president of the National Association, suggested the organization of the Southern Association.

S. G. Stoney, of Charleston, was elected president and W. H. Marshall, of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., vice-president. An executive committee representing Virgia, North and South Carolina, Georgia, Florida and Alabama was chosen. A convention will be held at Fort Lauderdale in February.

PRESIDENT AN DMRS. GALT MARRY TONIGHT

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for guarding the house during the ceremony.. All traffic will be diverted from the street and a heavy guard of policemen and secret service agents will go on duty about the house early in the evening.

Details of the wedding trip were kept secret tonight but it became known that the couple plan to leave Washington soon after the ceremony and go to some point in the South. There will be no effort to keep their whereabouts secret.

BION BUTLER AT KINSTON.

Prince of Boosters of the "Wonderland" of North Carolina.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Kinston, N. C., Dec. 17.—Bion Butler, the well known special writer who is affiliated with the North Carolina publicity movement, is here as the guest of Dr. C. B. McNairy, superintendent of the Caswell Training School. Mr. Butler is getting material for stories about the training school and the new Baptist orphanage at Falling Creek, etc.

Bion Butler dreams substantial dreams of North Carolina's greatness. It is, he asserts unqualifiedly, the most favored section in the world.

NEW COMPOSITE SPORT COSTUME

Here we have a unique though very practical costume which can be used equally as well for all outdoor sports, skating, skiing, mountain climbing and horseback riding.

This costume, which is entirely new and unlike the usual sporting models, is being worn by Miss Marguerite Namara, a prima donna in "Alone at Last." It is made up of a turkey-red kid leather, with just a touch of bisque colored broadcloth collar and cuffs to soften it. The coat is strictly military style, the tight waist line belted in with a leather belt as a fastening on the side and reaches to the knees.

In opening the coat, one can see the little bloomer effect trousers, which are tight around the limbs, and the laced boots come up to reach the bottom of the trousers. It has three pockets, one above the waist line, and one on each hip, below the belt.

FIVE KILLED; 11 HURT WHEN TRAINS COLLIDE

Another Probably Fatally Injured in B. & O. Wreck

Three Coaches of Accommodation Train, Hit by Train of Empty Express Cars, Almost Reduced to Kindling Wood.

Chester, Pa., Dec 17.—Five persons were killed and 11 injured, one probably fatally, in a rear-end collision between an accommodation train bound from Wilmington to Chester and a train of empty express cars on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad tonight at Felton, two miles south of this city.

Two of the dead were employes of the railroad and two were negro passengers whose bodies have not been identified. Daniel Callenger, a passenger, of Philadelphia ,was the fifth victim.

Of the injured Otto Phillips, of Philadelphia, had his skull fractured. His recovery is doubtful.

The accident was due, according to railroad officials, to a dense fog, which made it impossible for the enginemen to see the signals. The accommodation train was standing at Felton station when the other train crashed into it. All three coaches of the accommodation train were telescoped and the engine hurled down an embankment. Most of the passengers were workmen in munition plants at Wilmington. They were thrown in all directions. The three wooden coaches were reduced almost to kindling wood. Seats and other parts of the coaches were found in fields several hundred feet away.

A moment after the accident an express train from Philadelphia for Baltimore, crashed into the train but little damages resulted. Traffic was completely stopped for several hours.

SIX PERSONS KILLED

Sleigh Bus Containing School Children Hit by Passenger Train.

Berthold, N. D., Dec. 17.—Six persons, five of them school boys and the sixth the driver of the sleigh bus—were killed today on a grade crossing near here when a Great Northern passenger train struck the omnibus which was taking the children home from school. A heavy fog prevailed. The children, all under 16 years old, were members of three families.

PREPARATIONS MADE FOR A SECON DNOTE TO AUSTRIA-HUNGARY

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be punished upo nthe demand of another government when the evidence upon which such a demand is based is not accessible to the Austro-Hungarian government and consists entirely of statements made by the plaintiffs' side. The newspapers say this is contrary to any law or system of jurisprudence and in addition incompatible with the fundamental principles of state sovereignty. The American government, they say, would not think of granting any such demand for the reasons stated.

Concerning the American attitude that Austria-Hungary should base its instructions to submarine commanders on the American note to the German government to the Lusitania case, the newspapers say that while the American government would be justified in making its position in that instance a precedent it could not use it on the principle that ignorance is no excuse before the law since in this case the American government is not the judge but the plaintiff, who enjoys, according to international law, no prerogatives nor privileges which the Austro-Hungarian government, as the agent of a sovereign people, does not have.

Nor, say the editorials, is the American government justified in looking upon Austria-Hungary as Germany's vassal state. Some of the papers express the belief that the American note was hastily drafted, arguing that Washington, as the champion of international law would not purposely have ignored so fundamental a principle of international law as State sovereignty which the note in many essentials entirely overlooked.

BELGIAN RELIEF STEAMER LEVENPOOL STRIKES MINE.

Beached Off English Coast and is in Sinking Condition.

New York, Dec. 17.—The Belgian Relief Committee's steamer Levenpool, from New York for Rotterdam, has been beached on the English coast in a sinking condition as a result of striking a mine.

The Levenpool, a British steamer of 4,844 tons gross, sailed from New York November 24, arrived at Falmouth on December 11, and was to proceed thence to Rotterdam.

Rotterdam, Dec. 17.—The relief steamer Levenpool, which struck a mine in the English channel, carried a mixed cargo of foodstuffs for the Belgians, valued at $1,400,000. It is fully insured.

FORD PEACE SHIP PROCEEDS ON VOYAGE TO CHRISTIANIA.

Required to Guarantee Return of Part of Cargo to England.

London, Dec. 17.—Announcement was made by the foreign office tonight that the steamship Oscar II, having on board the Ford peace party has proceeded on her voyage to Christiania. The steamship was taken in the port of Kirkwall by the British authorities. Guarantees were required that certain of the cargo be returned to England. The captain gave a bond to return to England the part of the cargo in question which has been declared contraband.

Henry Ford made an urgent request that the steamship be allowed to proceed. He told the British authorities he believed he could arrange peace if permitted to visit neutral countries.

MRS. WARFIELD DIES

Mother of S. Davies Warfield, of the Seaboard Air Line.

Baltimore, Dec. 17.—Mrs. Henry M. Warfield, mother of S. Davies Warfield, chairman of the executive committee of the Seaboard Air Line and for many years a notable figure in local society, died here today. She was 85 years of age.

ATTORNEY GENERAL BICKETT RULES AT STACY'S INSTANCE

Judges to Be Nominated by Their Own Districts in Primary.

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 17.—Numbers of able lawyer, in different sections of the State have recently expressed the view that there is considerable question as to how, under the new Statewide primary act, the Superior court judges shall be nominated, and at the instance of W. P. Stacy, who assumes the judgeship for the Eighth judicial district, January 1, Attorney General Bickett made a ruling today. He holds that the judges will be voted for in the primaries of their immediate district only. He construes the constitutionality of Section 1, Chapter 101, Public Laws 1915.

HICKS WINS DECISION

First New York District Congressional Election Contested.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 17.—The Court of Appeals today decided that Frederick C. Hicks, Republican, won the congressional election in the first New York district in 1914 and that his plurality of three votes over Lathrop Brown, Democrat, should be increased to ten. The decision held that while Congress was the final judge of who should compose its membership, the state courts had the right to determine to whom the certificate of election should be issued. To date no certificate has been granted and neither contestant has appeared in Congress.

NEWBERN IS WELL REPRESENTED

Has 56 People Among the Du Pont Workers at Hopewell, Va.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Newbern, N. C., Dec. 17.—By actual count there are now 56 Newbernians employed in the Du Pont powder works at Hopewell, Va., and this number is smaller than it was six weeks ago, a number of them having returned home for the holiday season.

Newbern has probably furnished a larger number of men to the Du Pont plant than any other city in Eastern North Carolina. The majority of them went there during the summer months when work here was slack and they have remained.

EX-GOV. UPHAM IN CAROLINA

Spending Some Time in Waters of Newbern Section Aboard Yacht.

Newbern, N. C., Dec. 17.—Spending a few days in this port on board of their handsome yacht, "Comrade," is Ex-Governor Uphan, of Wisconsin, his wife and Dr. and Mrs. C. L. Duncan, of Beaufort.

Ex-Governor and Mrs. Uphan are spending the winter months at Beaufort as guests of Dr. and Mrs. C. L. Duncan, the former being a sister of Mrs. Uphan.

Philadelphia, Dec. 17.—In discussing the University of Pennsylvania football schedule for next year here today, the committee considered a contest with the University of Virginia. Nine games are to be played. Michigan and Cornell here and Dartmouth in Boston are fixed games. The others have not as yet been announced.

REST AN HOUR AT NOON.

Noon Rest Hour Necessary for Health and Efficiency.

(State Board of Health.)

"Not enough stress is being laid on the importance of the midday rest hour," said a prominent tuberculosis specialist of this State recently. "The noon rest hour is as essential for maintaining health and efficiency as the noon meal, sometimes more so, and should not include the time taken for the meal."

"Every working woman, especially those who work in offices, stores and mills, housekeepers by no means excepted, should have an hour at noon to rest—to lie down, relax and rest brain, nerves and body. I dare say," said the speaker, "the lack of this period of daily rest is more the cause of so many women coming down with tuberculosis than any other one thing. If the midday rest hour is such an important factor in the cure of tuberculosis, why is it not as important in the prevention of the disease?

"The rest hour," continued he, "is not essential in preventing and curing tuberculosis only, it is the greatest factor in keeping up that resistance that stays off most all other diseases. It is the means of keeping fit and efficient, of avoiding that fatigue of mind and body that causes accidents, miscalculations, errors and inefficient work altogether. It is the means of avoiding mental and physical breakdowns and, at the same time, of accomplishing greater returns and more satisfaction in the work done."

Business Locals

Advertisements inserted under this head, One Cent per word for each insertion, but no advertisement taken for less than 25c. Additional words more than 25, One Cent per word. Unless the advertiser has a regular account, all advertisements under this head are STRICTLY CASH IN ADVANCE, the amount being too small to warrant a charge. The Star will send without charge a Western Union Messenger to any address in the city, for advertisements in this department, upon request by 'phone to No. 51. Messengers will also call for telegrams for the Western Union Telegraph Company, or for notes or small packages to be delivered anywhere in the city. No charge for collecting the telegrams, or advertisements for the Star, but a small charge for strictly Messenger Service. Telephone subscribers may at any time telephone their telegrams and bills will be rendered to suit the sender, daily, weekly or monthly. For this service, call "Western Union," but for advertisements always call the Star office, No. 51. Advertisements cannot be taken over the telephone—but upon request messenger will be dispatched to any part of the city for them. Contract advertising inserted "till forbid" will be discontinued only on written notice from the advertiser.

SATURDAY SPECIAL—CHOICE HAND picked Tennessee and Jellico lump coal, $5.50 per ton delivered. Half ton, $2.80; quarter ton, $1.45. Delivery within one hour after order placed. Conklin Coal Co. Phone 753. de 18-1t

ONE HOUSEKEEPING APARTMENT vacant. See the agents, J. G. Wright & Son. 124 Princess street. de 18-1t

MAMMOTH BRANZE TURKEYS, young toms from the first prize winners at the Corn Show. If interested call up 4502. de 18-1t*

FOR RENA OR LEASE FARM AND grist mill, in Pender, on Northeast river, seven miles from Rocky Point. R. B. Moore, Wilmington, N. C. de 18-2t*

NEW WAY MARKET—SPECIAL—300 extra nice turkeys, dressed chickens, quail, wild ducks, wild turkeys, fancy western beef. Those pig loins for roasting. Fresh eggs, butter, bacon, cheese, sausage, sliced beef, oysters, corn on the cob, peas, green onions, celery, lettuce, oranges, pickles, nuts, Globe Baking Co., products. Special attention to hurry orders. Phones 816 and 817. W. H. McEachern. de 18-1t

EGGS, LARGE FRESH EGGS, THREE dozen, $1.00; fish roe, $1.00, dozen; Catawba Creamery butter, 3 lbs, $1; three 50-cent bottles of olives, $1.00, at C. H. Bornemann's. Phone 853. de 18-1t*

FOR RENT — 103 SOUTH EIGHTH street; seven rooms, all latest improvements. Gordon Brothers, 17 Princess street. de14-tf

MILK, 10 CENTS — ON AND AFTER Dec. 15th. To everybody. The kind with lots of cream in it. Glenwood Dairy. 'Phone 1760. de12--7t

FOUND—A MARKET FOR POPLAR Tupelo and sweet gum logs. We want to buy several car loads of poplar tupelo and sweet gum logs. Will inspect at shipping point and pay cash, f.o.b. cars. For full particulars and prices address J. L. Mateer Lumber Co., Rural Hall, N. C. de 11-12t

WANTED—TWO SECOND HAND GASolene motor boats; one about 10 H.P.; one 20 to 25 H. P. Give full description. Address "Boats" care Star. de 18-6t*

WHIPPED CREAM, 25 CENTS PER quart; sweet cream, 50 cents per quart; vanilla, pineapple, strawberry, cherry, chocolate and maple nut ice cream for Sunday. Phone 120, Frost Ice Cream Co., No. 13 Princess street.

FANCY DRESSED CHICKENS TOday—Full line of choice beef, veal, lamb and pork; country sausage and liver pudding; fancy lettuce, celery, spinach, tomatoes, etc.; pickled beef tongues, corned beef, home canned pork. Batson's Meat Market, 115 Market street. Phone No. 72. de 18-tf

FIREWORKS AND TOYS—IT WILL pay you to visit C. H. Bornemann's store, corner Seventh and Orange streets. Free Santa Claus bangle pins to the children. de 18-1t*

FOR SUNDAY—ANGEL FOOD, CHOCOlate, vanilla, strawberry ice cream, fresh grated cocoanut; pure sweet cream, pasteurized buttermilk, the kind with the cream in it. A. G. Warren Ice Cream Co. de 18-1t*

FOR SALE—TWO HOUSES TO BE moved in December. Corner 15th and Market streets. W. M. Cumming, Real Estate Agent. de 18-1t

THE HOUSE WE ARE BUILDING ON Wi-No-Ca Terrace is thorough, modern and convenient, but not costly. It occupies a lot, 55 by 150 feet, and is for sale, on easy terms at an attractive price to the right party. Visit this house and then call by our office and see the blue prints. We will make you a proposition whereby you can buy this house on about the same basis as your rent now costs you. J. G. Wright & Son, 124 Princess street. de 18-1t

FOR RENT—STORE AT WINTER Park. See J. E. or E. G. Hall, or phone 669-1. de 18-3t

EGGS, EGGS, EGGS, FRESH LOT OF fresh country eggs just received, 35 cents dozen, 3 dozen for $1.00. Try our Acme flour, none better. Tripp Grocery, No. 8 Market street. Phone 1002. de 18-1t*

J. E. LEWIS AND SON'S CARRIAGE shops have moved to 4th and Princess streets, in the old engine house. Automobile and carriage painting done. We paint Ford Cars for $15.00. We also cover automobile tops, and build vehicles to order. Prompt and satisfactory service guaranteed. J. E. Lewis and Son, 4th and Princess Streets. de17-3t*

OYSTER DAY, OYSTER WEATHER — Full supply of fresh oysters just in; 30, 35, and 40 cents, one quart bucket. Home-made liver pudding and all-pork sausage; sirloin steak, today only, 20 cents per pound. 'Phone No. 72. Batson's Meat Market; 115 Market street. de17-3t

WANTED — 15 MEN AND 10 WOMEN as extras for "Everywoman." Apply stage door, Academy, Saturday, at 12 o'clock. de16-3t

"OLD AND STRONG"—MECHANICS' Home Association is over 25 years old, and over $240,000.00 strong. New series, B. and L. stock January, 1916. A good investment. A good way to save money. Walker Taylor, President; W. M. Cumming, Secretary. Office, 208 Princess street. de16-3t

FOR RENT — ONE FURNISHED BED room; all modern conveniences; steam heated. Grand building. Apply J. M. Solky. de16-tf

TO THE PUBLIC: IF YOU ARE thinking of buying an up-to-date heater, I invite you to call at No. 820 Dock street, before making your purchase. J. T. Howard, agent. de15-tf

LOST — SMALL GREEN BOAT, LAST week, at foot of Queen street. Letter "E" cut on stern. Reward will be paid for any information regarding the whereabouts of this boat. E. M. Boswell, 713 Surry St., de15-tf

LAP ROBES — HAVE JUST RECEIVed a large shipment of automobile robes. Prices to suit. Let us show you. Good for Xmas presents. W. D. MacMillan, Jr.; 108-112 North Second street. de15-5t

'PHONE YOUR ORDERS FOR MAGAzines and newspapers to 745. Gordon Brothers, 17 Princess street. de14-tf

WANTED — AN ENERGETIC, AMBItious, active man to establish permanent business. Whole or part time. Health and Accident Insurance. Immediate cash returns and future. Address National Casualty Company, Detroit, Mich. de14-7t

NOTICE TO PUBLIC — FURNACE and stove repairs done reasonable; heaters relined, good as new. Have your roof repaired now. Satisfaction guaranteed. 'Phone 431. W. R. Klander, 22 South Second street. Also roof painting done. no28-tf

BEFORE YOU BUY THAT XMAS GIFT see Uncle Charles' line of solid gold jewelry, watches, bracelets, cameo brooches and diamonds. No. 6, South Front street; 'Phone 642. no24-tf

AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK

WILMINGTON, N. C.

Condensed Report of Condition to Comptroller, at Close of Business, November 10th, 1915.

RESOURCES:		LIABILITIES:	
Loans and Discounts	$1,417,210.29	Capital Stock	$ 250,000.00
U. S. Bonds (at par)	270,000.00	Surplus and Undivided Profits	57,833.36
North Carolina 4 per cent Bonds (at par)	45,000.00	Circulation	250,000.00
Bonds and Securities	24,213.50	Rediscounts (with Federal Reserve Bank)	77,266.45
Banking House and Fixtures	45,662.65	Special Bond Account	45,000.00
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	9,000.00	Reserve Account (for Building)	20,000.00
Real Estate	43,026.86	Bills Payable	70,000.00
Cash in our Vaults $124,501.42		DEPOSITS	1,692,829.70
Due from Banks and U. S. Treas. 484,314.73	608,816.15		
Total	$2,462,929.45	Total	$2,462,929.45

Began Business in 1908, with Capital of $50,000.00. 6 Per Cent Annual Dividends Paid Since Organization.

OFFICERS:

W. B. COOPER . . Chairman of Board
THOS. E. COOPER . . . . President C. E. BETHEA . . . . . Cashier
GEO. O. GAYLORD . . . Vice-President E. FRED BANCK. . . Assistant Cashier

STATEMENT CONDITION

THE MURCHISON NATIONAL BANK OF WILMINGTON, N. C.,

AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS, NOV EMBER 10th, 1915.

RESOURCES:		LIABILITIES:	
Loans and Discounts	$4,745,818.48	Capital Stock	$1,000,000.00
U. S. Bonds (at par)	810,000.00	Surplus and Net Profits	865,558.89
Bank Building	487,793.51	Circulation	750,000.00
Bonds and Other Securities	288,400.00	Special Deposit Bonds	115,000.00
Liquidation Account Southern National Bank	106,138.85	Special Reserve	21,000.00
Cash and Due by Banks	2,011,503.12	Deposits	5,898,094.88
	$8,449,653.76		$8,449,653.76

H. C. McQUEEN, President. C. S. GRAINGER, Cashier.
J. W. YATES, Vice-President. W. S. JOHNSON, Assistant Cashier.
J. V. GRAINGER, Vice-President. M. F. ALLEN, Assistant Cashier.

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de 18-th-sa-m-tf.

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THE SOHMER PIANO WILL COMpare favorably with any piano made in America. We invite a comparison, either in an upright or grand. Yopp & Woody Music Co., 217 North Front street; 'Phone No. 313. de8-tf

A SOLID GOLD LAVALLIERE MAKES a very appropriate gift. I have just received a fine assortment of LaVallieres, lockets and chains, brooches, bar pins, tie pins, tie clasps and other solid gold jewelry, suitable for Christmas gifts. The best can be had for the price. Expenses being less enables me to give better values. J. T. Burke, the Jeweler, 27 South Front street. de 12-1w

A CHANCE FOR YOU—WE ARE still selling Best Creamery butter in block or tub, 35 cents lb.; lean sliced bacon, 25 cents lb.; Quaker oatmeal, 10 cents, and a full line of groceries. We also give tickets for the bungalow prize contest, so now is your chance to enter the race. May Bros., 24 North Front street. Phone 1322. The Only Real Delicatessen. de 4-tf

IT WILL BE TO YOUR INTEREST TO call in and investigate the quality and prices of my stock of solid gold jewelry and other suitable gifts appropriate for ladies and gents just received, before buying elsewhere. J. T. Burke, the Jeweler. de 12-1w

HIGH GRADE BOYS' AND GIRLS' JUvenile bicycles, at moderate prices. We also have some good second hand juvenile bikes. See ours before buying. Wilmington Cycle Co., 215 Market street. de12-7t

FOR RENT — LARGE, BRIGHT, WELL furnished room, with modern conveniences. Centrally located. Near Post Office, 216 North Second street. 'Phone 773. no23-tf

FIVE-ACRE FARM, NEAR CASTLE Hayne, for sale at a bargain. Less than $500.00 takes it; farm, stock and houses. R. F. Widlin, Castle Hayne. de17-3t*

JUST RECEIVED FOR CHRISTMAS trade: Corned hams, 20 cents; chocolate cream drops, 15 cents; French mixed cream drops, 10 cents; cocoanut bon bons, 12½ cents. Schutt Bros. Phone 983. de 11-20t*

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